



SERVIR

*An Environmental
Monitoring and
Decision Support
System for
Mesoamerica*





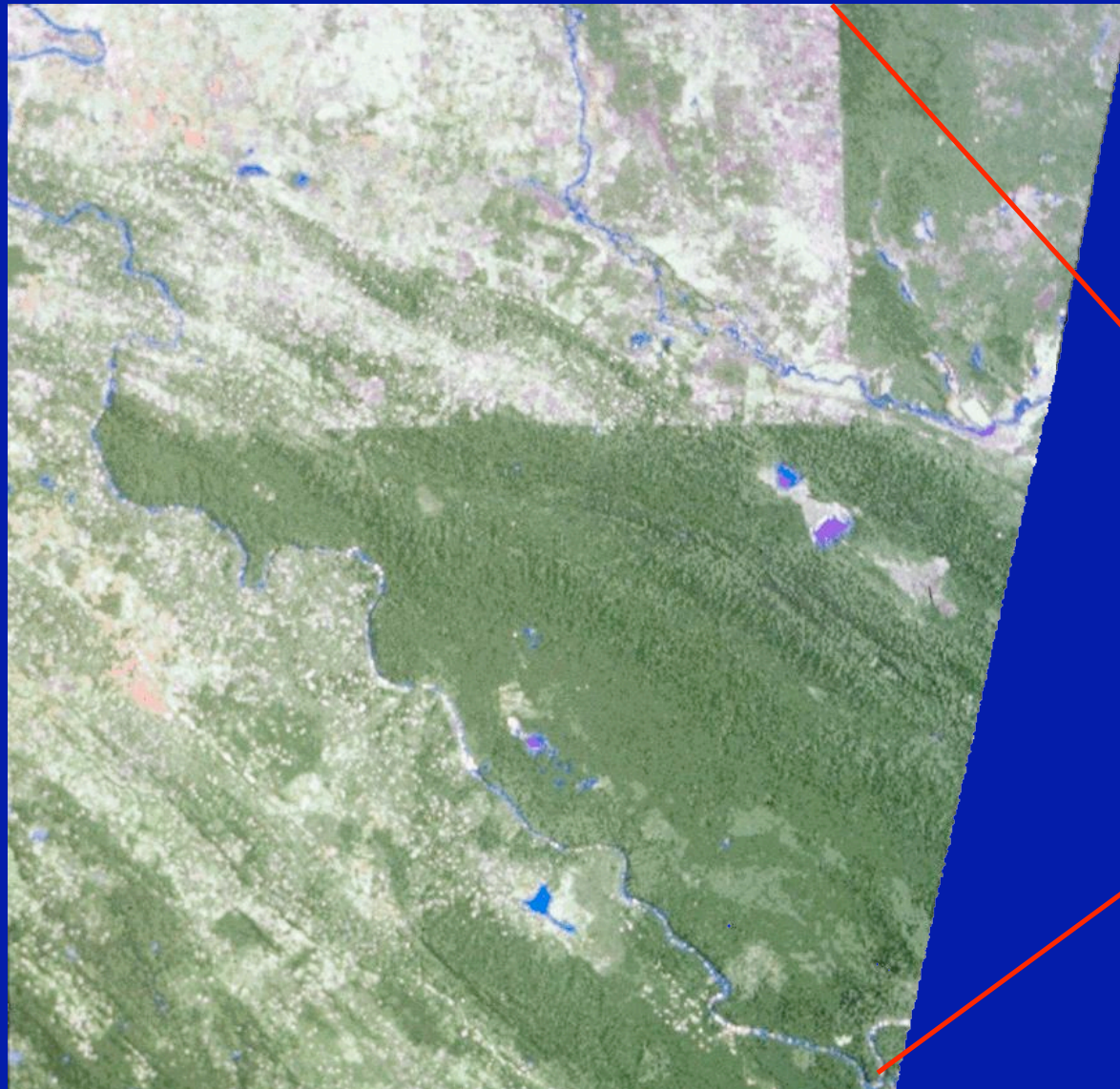
Primary SERVIR Team Institutions

- **REASoN Team**
 - NASA/MSFC
 - University of Alabama at Huntsville
 - Science Systems and Applications Inc.
- **USAID**
- **World Bank**
- **Water Center for the Humid Tropics of Latin America and the Caribbean (CATHALAC)**
- **Central American Commission for Environment and Development (CCAD)**
- **University of Arkansas**
- **Oak Ridge National Laboratory**





Border of Mexico and Guatemala 1986





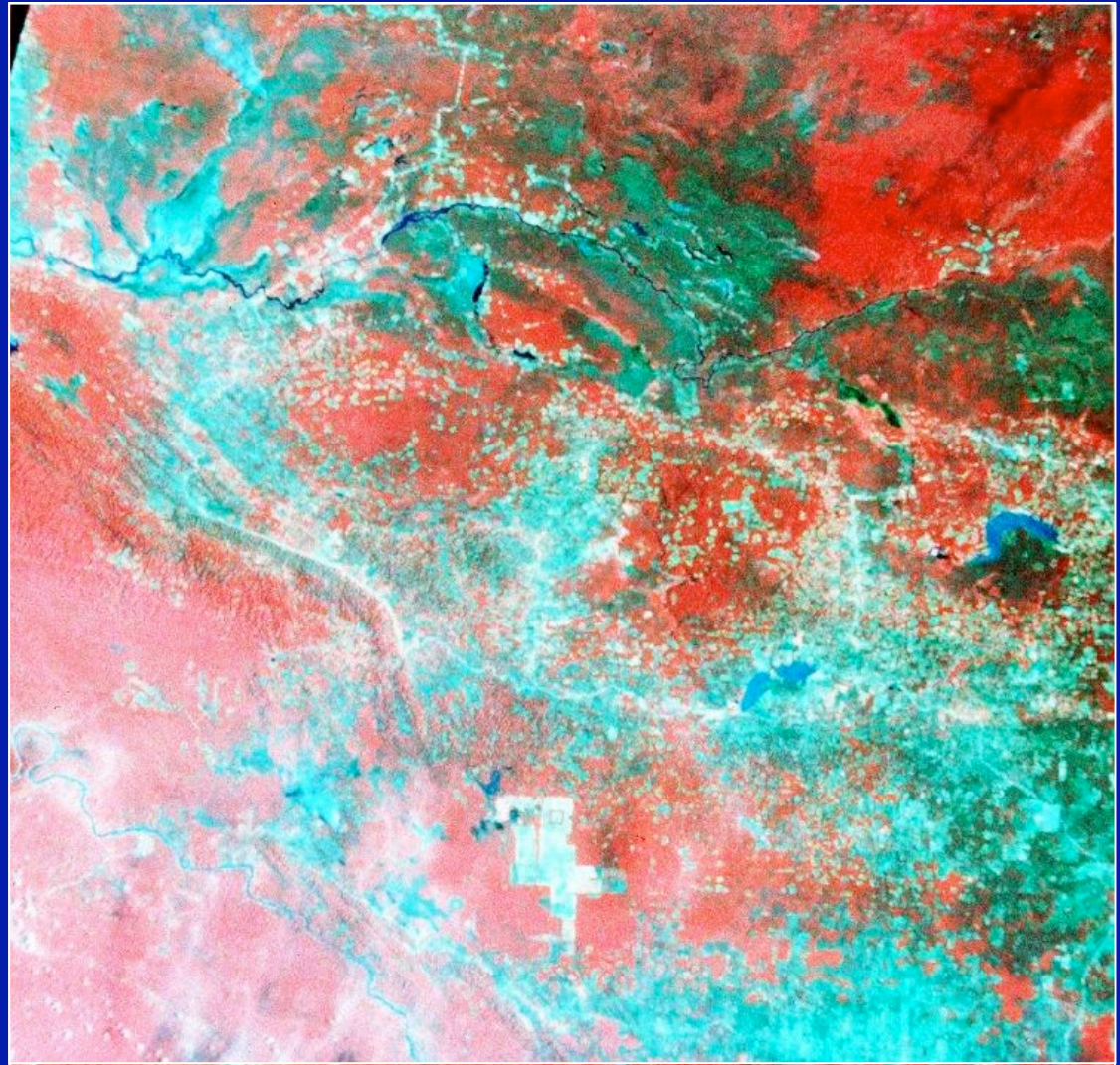
A large crowd of people, many in white uniforms, gathered outdoors. In the center, two men are shaking hands. A man in a white uniform is walking towards the right. A camera operator is visible in the foreground.





Land Cover and Land Use Change

- **Conservation & Preservation**
- **Transportation Infrastructure**
- **- Urban Growth Planning**
- **- Human Impacts on the Land**
- **- Infrastructure and Utilities**



Peten, Guatemala (1986-1995)





Fires Time Lapse Sept 2001 – Aug 2002

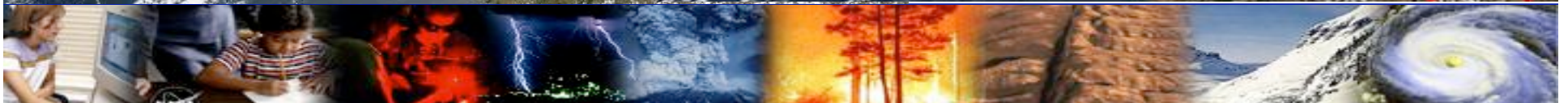
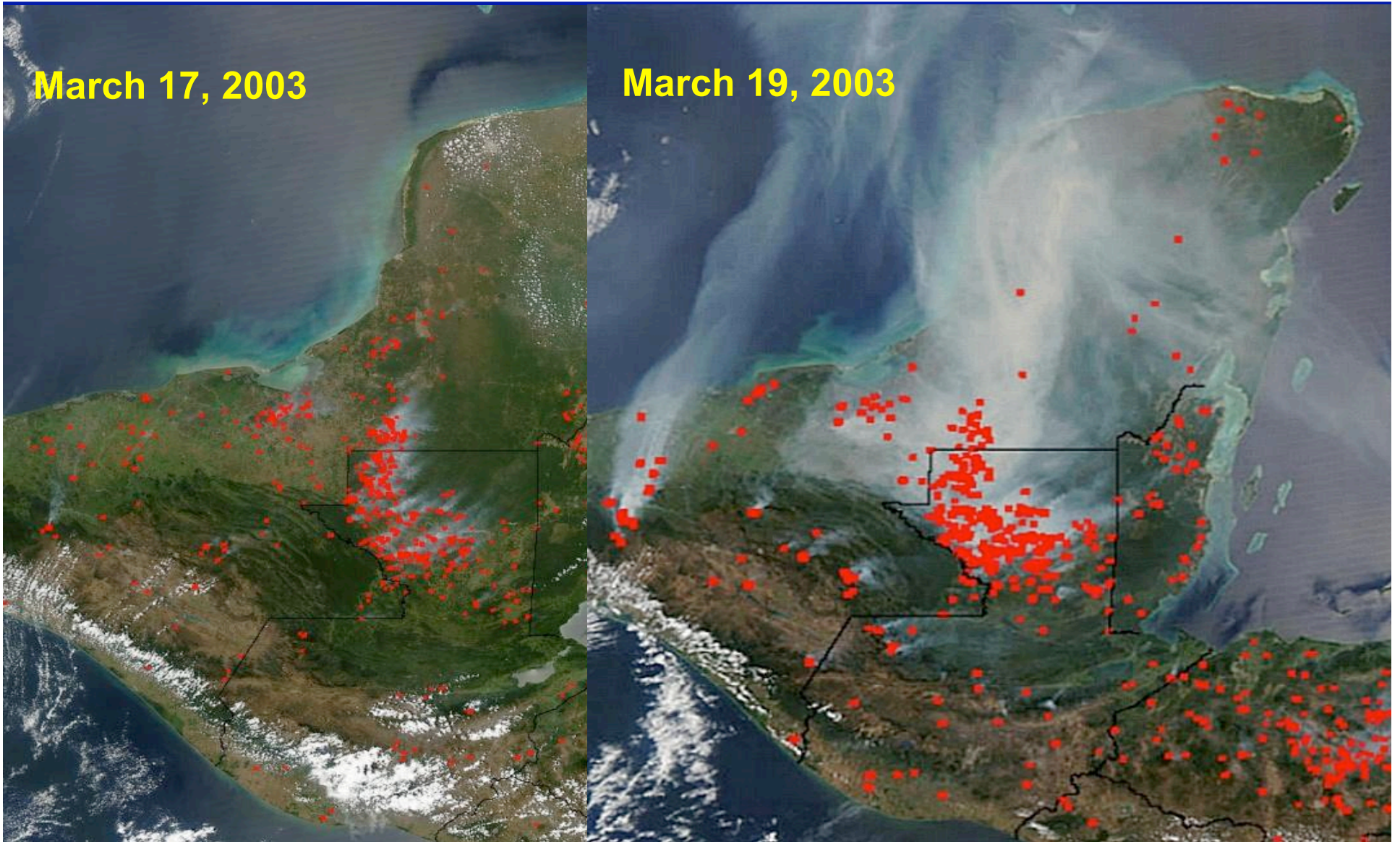




MODIS Rapid Response Fires - March 2003

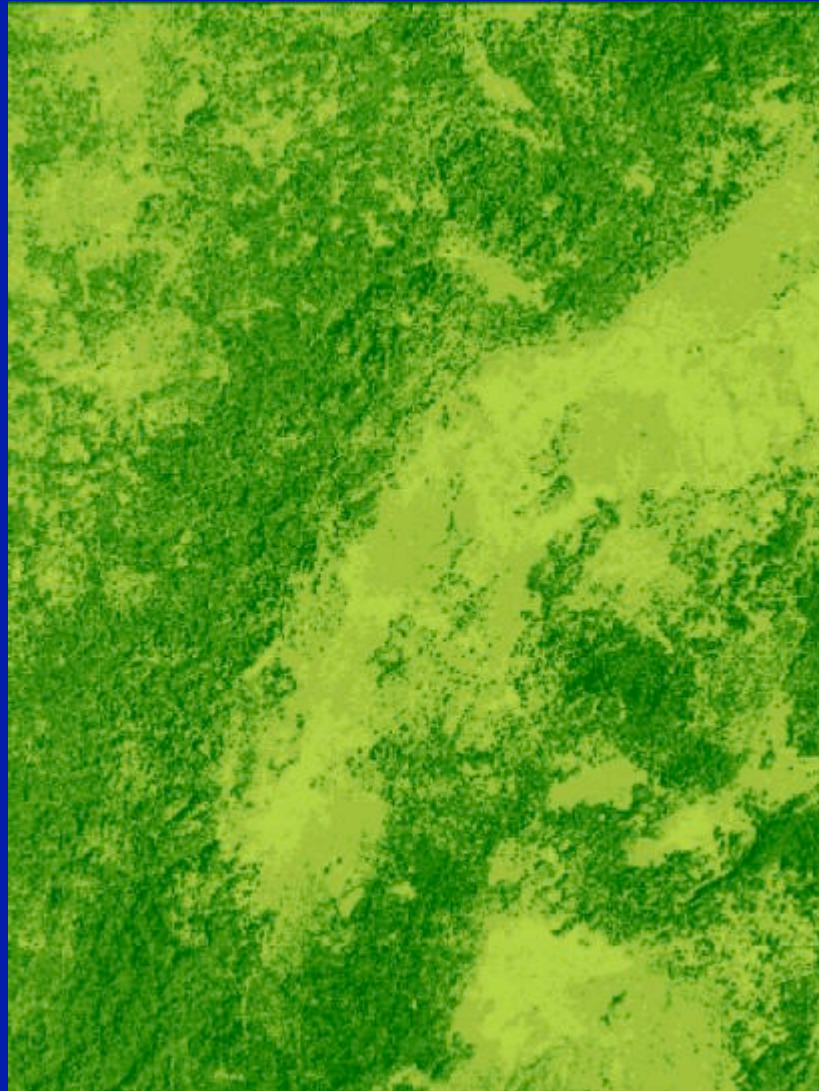
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Model of Deforestation Following Road Building

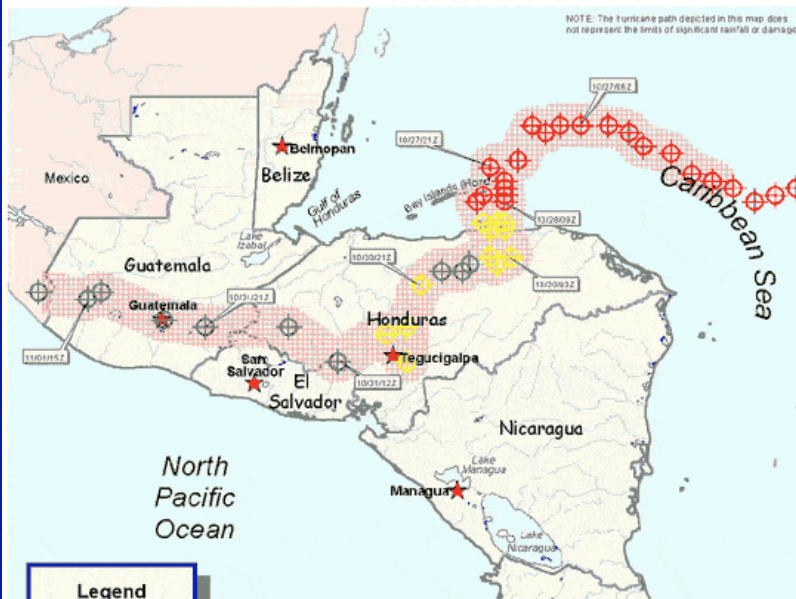




Natural Disasters – Hurricanes (Mitch 1998)

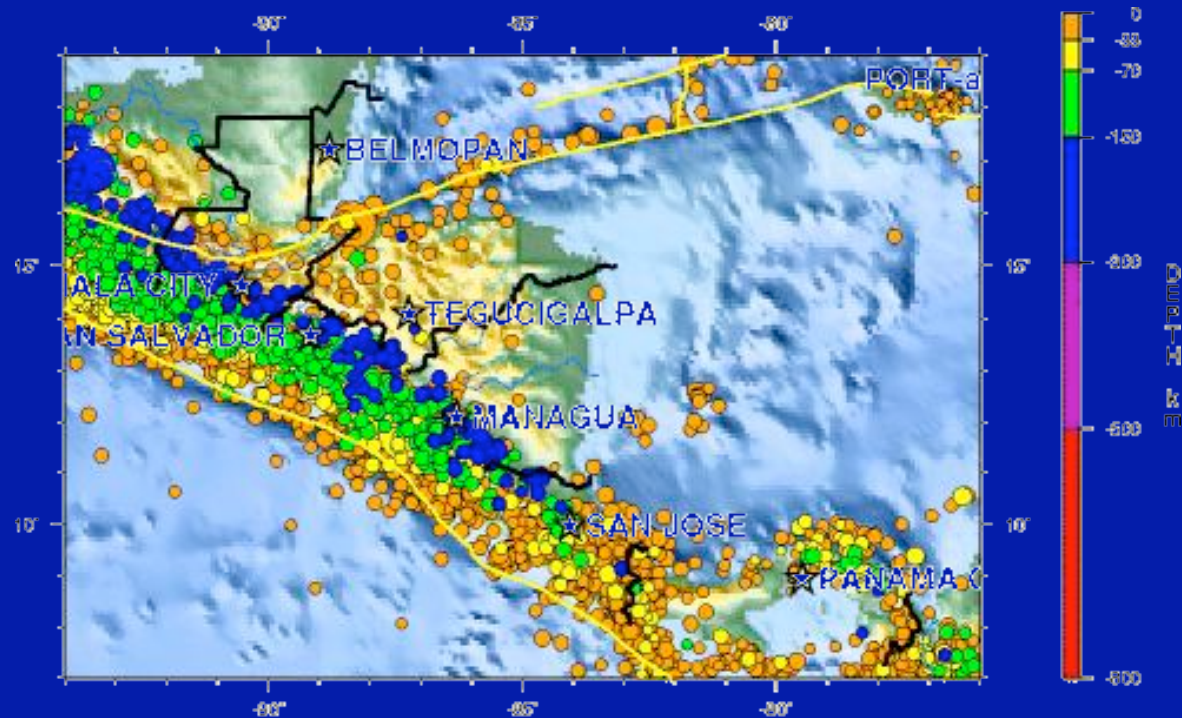
Track of Hurricane Mitch

From October 26 to November 1, 1998





Natural Hazards – Earthquakes



Seismicity of Central America, 1990 - 2000





Natural Hazards - Volcanoes





The Mesoamerican Biological Corridor (MBC)



**The MBC covers less than 1% of Earth's landmass, but contains
7- 8% of world's plant and animal species**





Population and Size

Country	Population (July 2001 est.)	Area (sq mi)
• Belize	256,062	8,865
• Costa Rica	3,773,057	19,730
• El Salvador	6,237,662	8,124
• Guatemala	12,974,361	42,043
• Honduras	6,406,052	43,278
• Nicaragua	4,918,393	49,998
• Panama	2,845,647	30,193
• TOTAL	37,384,234	202,231





SERVIR Concept Drawing - 2003

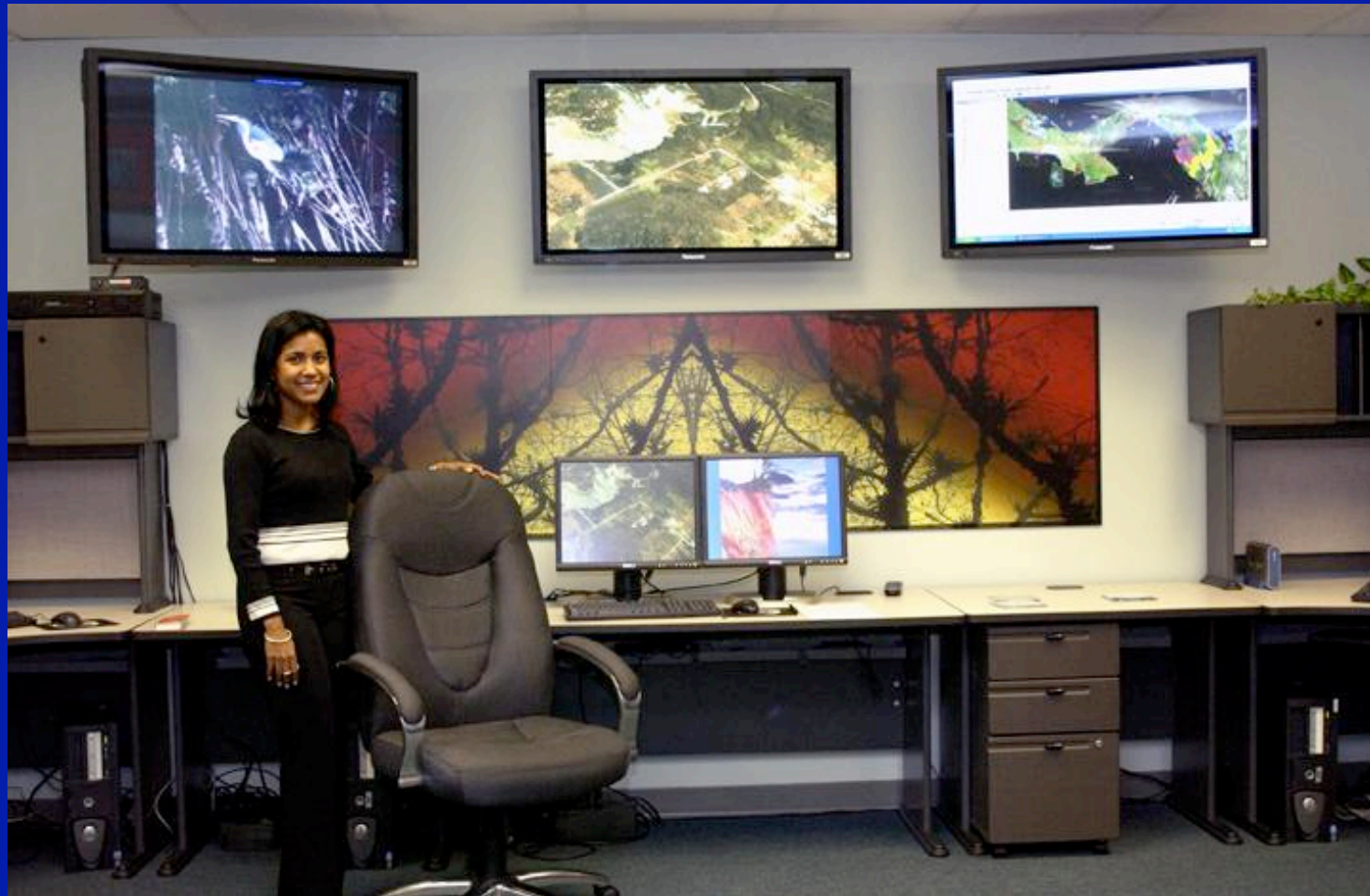


- Fire Detection
- Land Cover/Land Use
- Forest Monitoring
- Red Tides
- Climate Change
- Short Term Weather
- Drought Monitoring
- Inter. Scientific Research
- Carbon Flux
- Hot Spot Monitoring
- Disaster Mitigation
- Urban Studies



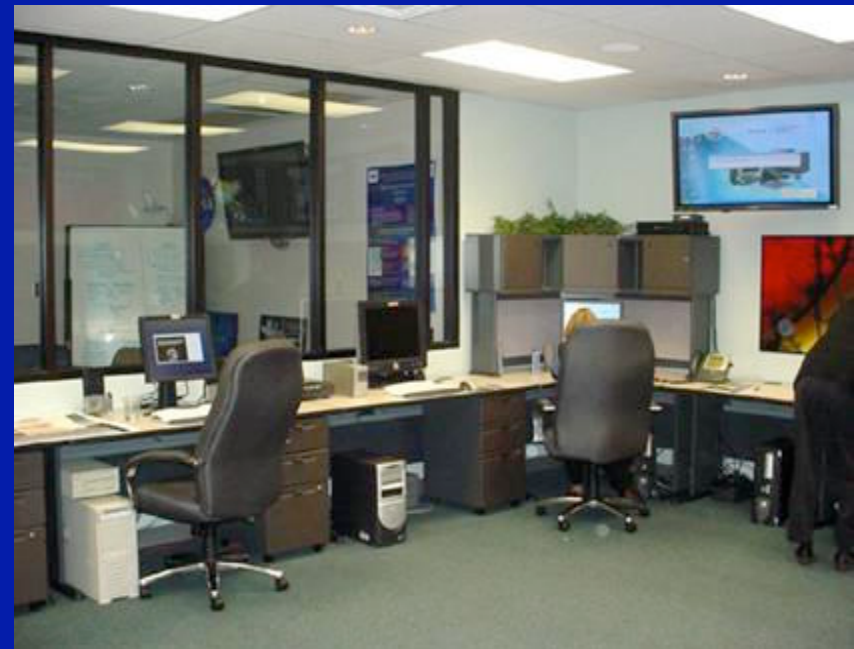


SERVIR Laboratory – NSSTC Oct. 2004





SERVIR Lab - National Space Science and Technology Center Huntsville Alabama





SERVIR Lab in Panama







SERVIR Lab in Panama - After





SERVIR Dedication – February 3, 2005



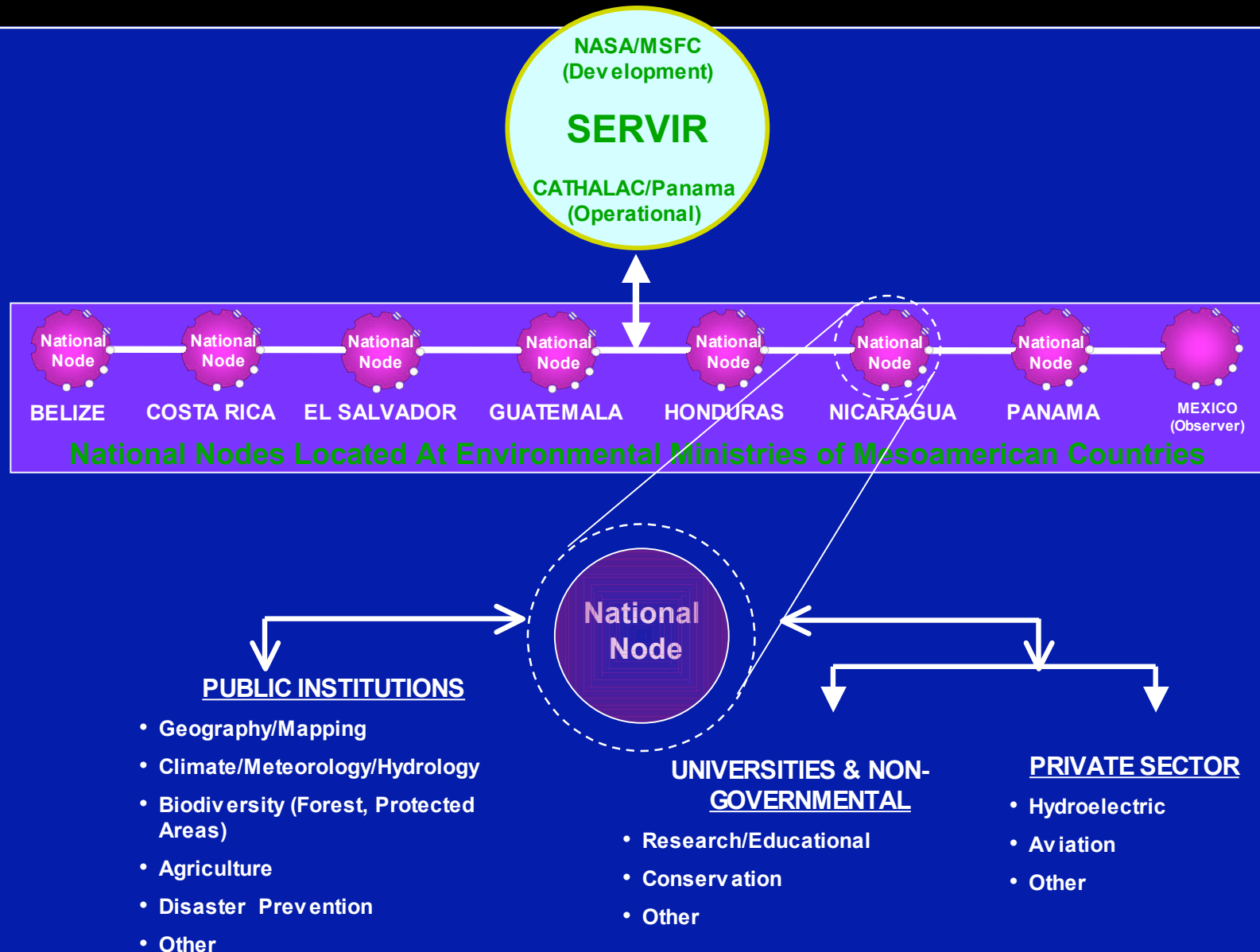


SERVIR Dedication – February 3, 2005





SERVIR Main and National Nodes





SERVIR Web Page <http://servir.nsstc.nasa.gov>

- Fully Operational on February 1, 2005
- Four Main Sections
 1. Mesoamerican Data
 2. Interactive Maps
 3. Decision Support
 4. Visualizations



SERVIR NSSTC Node - Data Flow

Earth Observatories

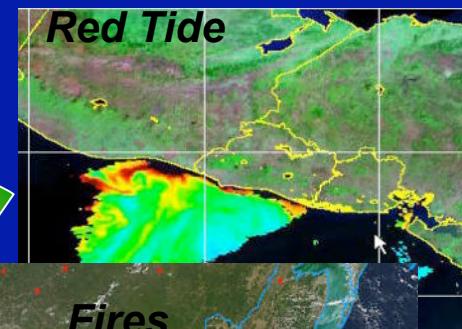


Decision Makers - Researchers



- Emergency Responders
- Environmental Managers
- Political Leaders
- Researchers, Educators

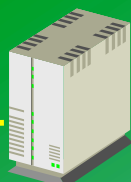
Environmental Monitoring & Decision Support Products



Electronic Transfer

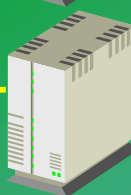
SERVIR Node @ NSSTC

(NASA/MSFC and U. Alabama in Huntsville)



Product Generation System

- Ingest Data
- Subset Data Over C. Amer.
- Mine Data for Events
- Generate Products



Web Server

servir.nsstc.nasa.gov

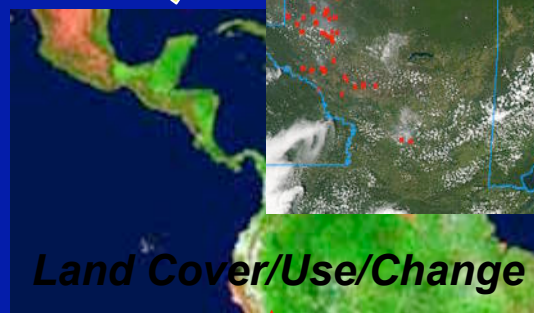
- Distribute Products
- Archive Products



Visualization System

Source Data Archive

Product Archive



Rapid Response
ftp, e-mail, etc.

Goals

- Rapid Response
- Corridor Preservation
- Species Preservation
- Sustained Development
- Better Living Conditions
- Policy Changes

Data &
Algorithms

SERVIR Partners

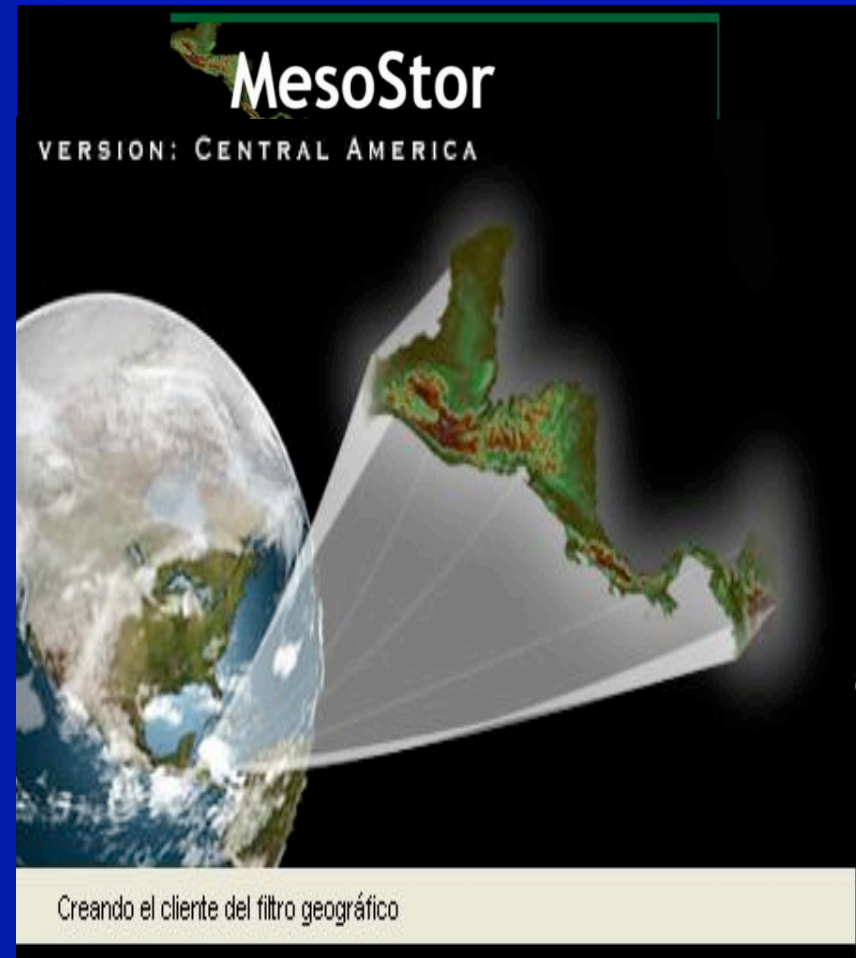
SERVIR Node in Panama

- Geographic Info Systems
- Decision Support Systems
- Environmental Data from Central American countries



Panama Node Regional Data System

- **A one-stop geospatial data store**
- **Working in Beta as of October 2004**
- **A seamless database of vector and raster data covering all of Mesoamerica**
- **Web-based system for selection and delivery of geospatial data**





Data Systems – Web Services

The Mesoamerican & Caribbean Online Map Portal

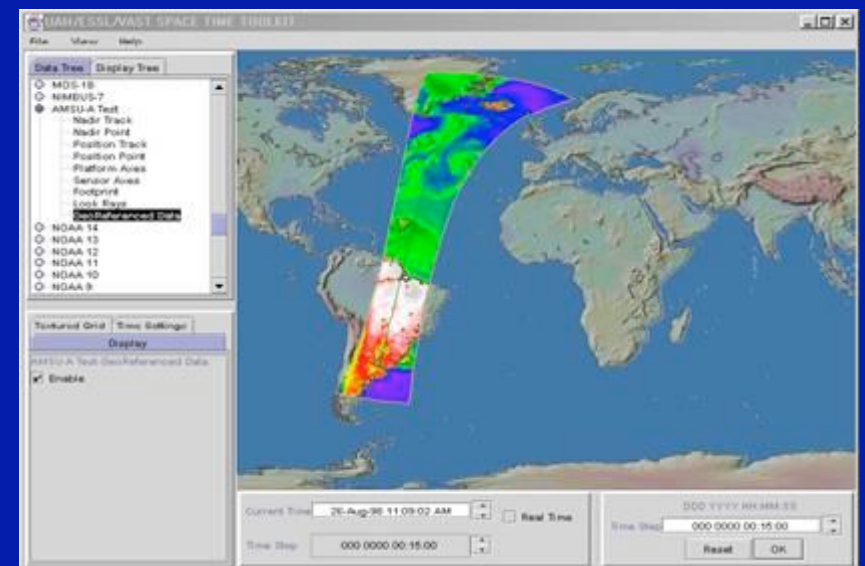
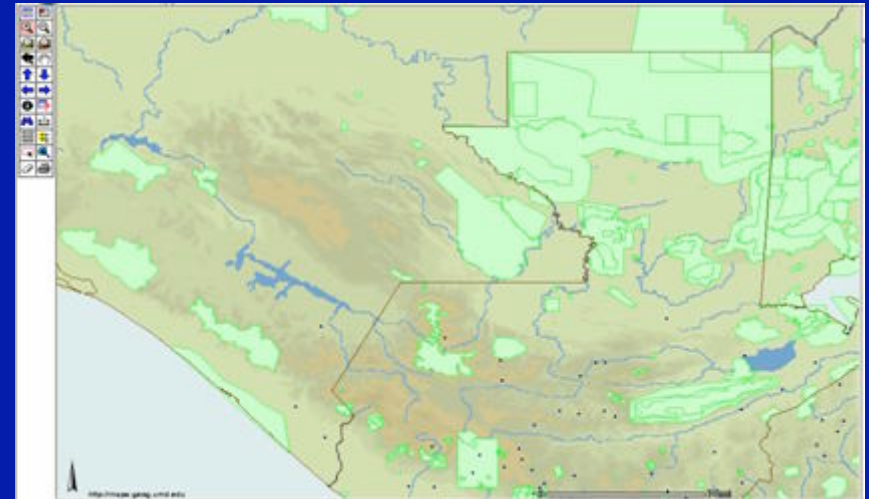
Partners: SERVIR | IABIN





Interactive On-Line Maps

- Mapping for the “Casual User”
- Web Map Server at regional node
- Multiviewer client
- Specialized clients (UAH-Space Time Toolkit)
- Thematic Areas – Biological, Protected Areas, etc.
- User Friendly Thematic Queries





Decision Support Tools

- **Fires**

- MODIS Rapid Response
- Web Fire Mapper (UMD)
- Fire Alerts (Pilot)

- **Red Tides (Harmful Algae Blooms)**

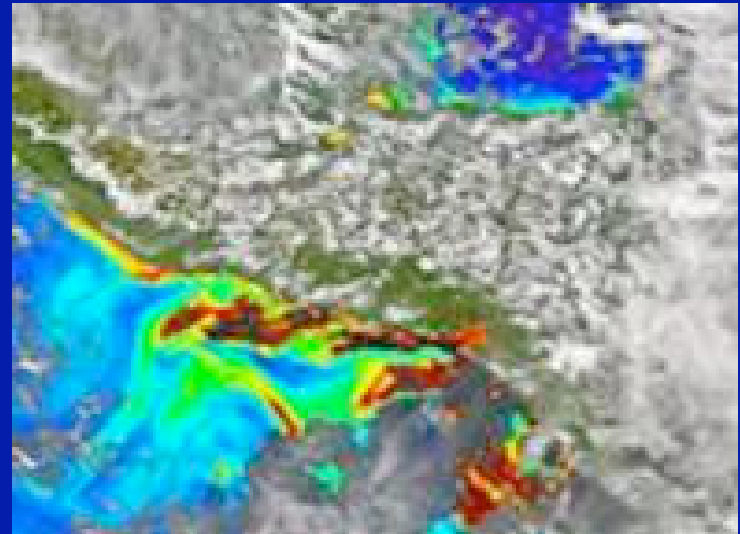
- **Climate Change Scenarios**

- **Short Term Weather Prediction (SPORT)**

- **Land Cover and Land Use Change for Carbon Management**

- **Floods**

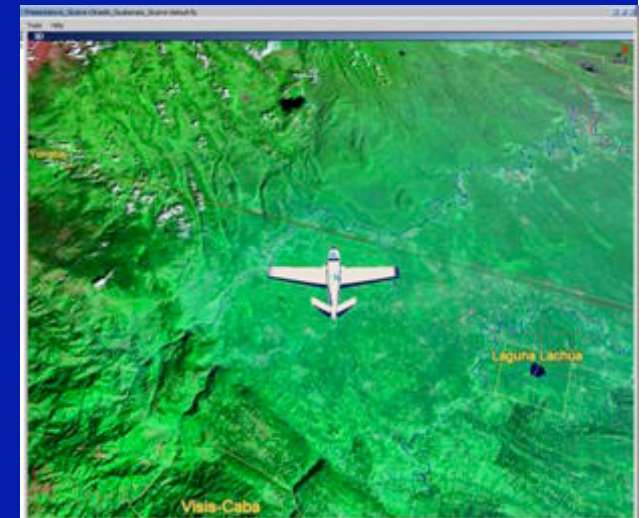
- **Other**





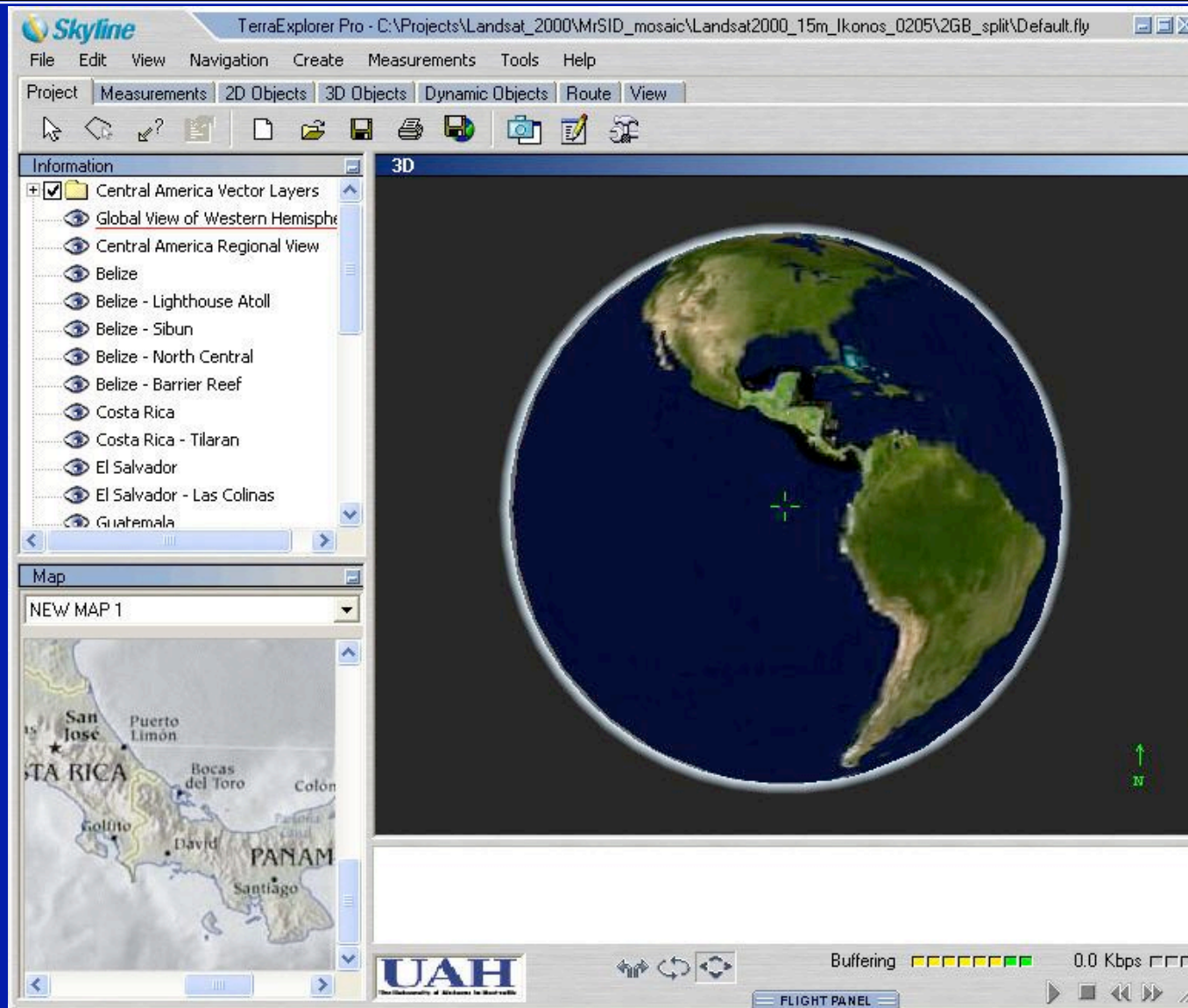
Visualization Tools for Decision Support

- **NASA and COTS**
 - **World Wind - NASA**
 - **Terra Builder & Terra Explorer Pro – Skyline Software Corporation**
 - **ERDAS Imagine**
- **Users**
 - **Decision Makers**
 - **Media**
 - **Educators**
 - **Students**





Terra Explorer Pro 4.6 User Interface



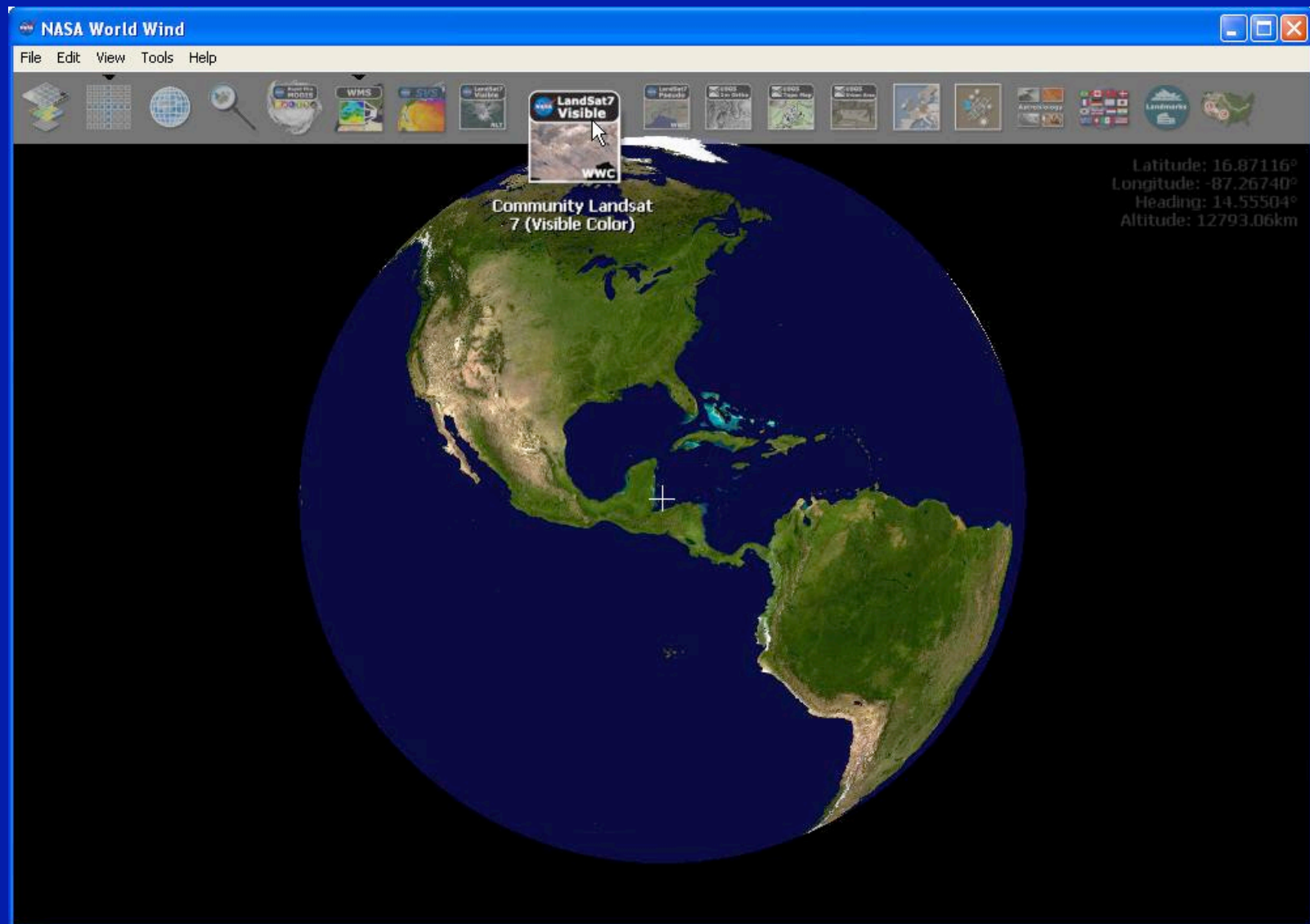


Panama Canal Flight



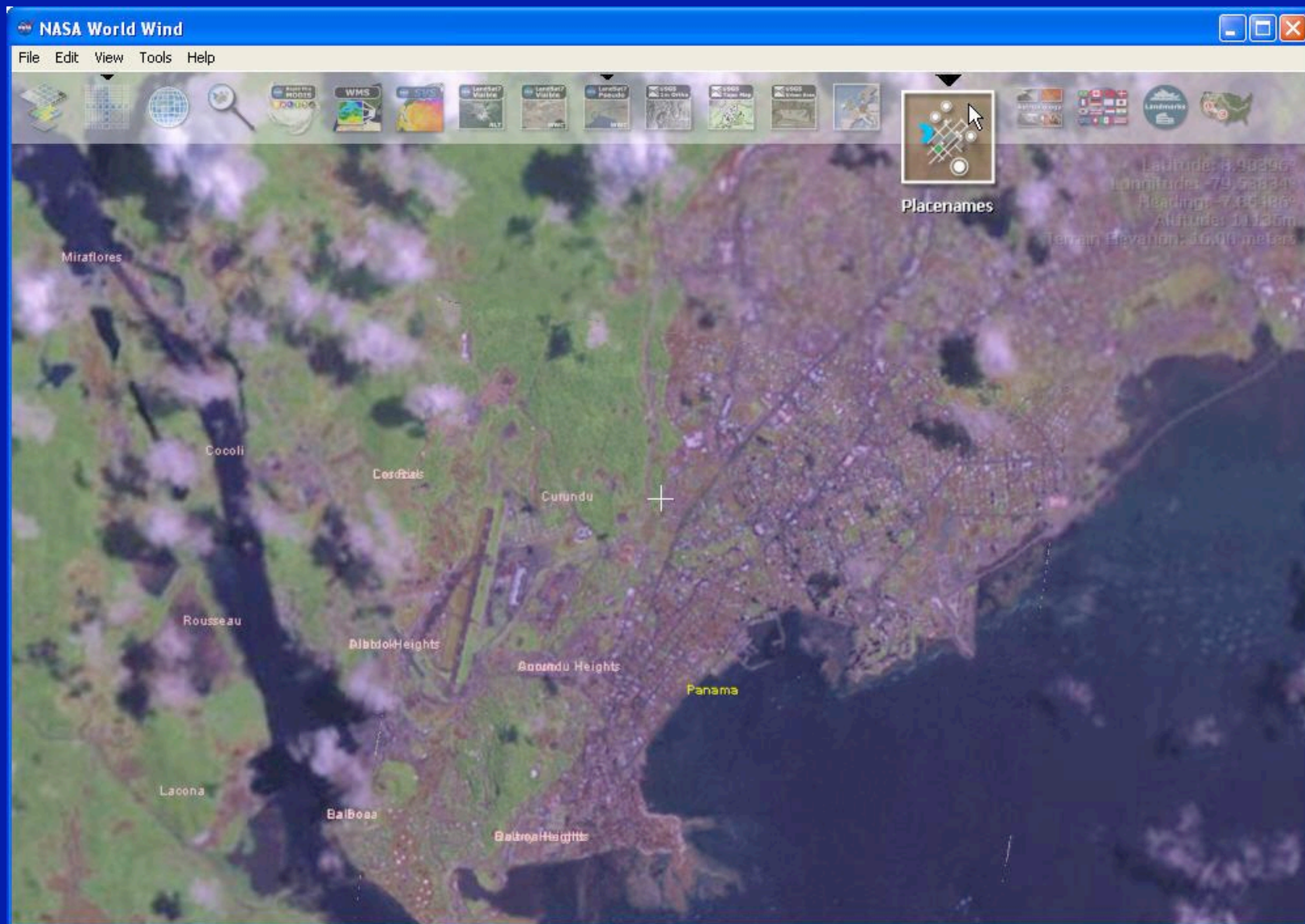


NASA World Wind



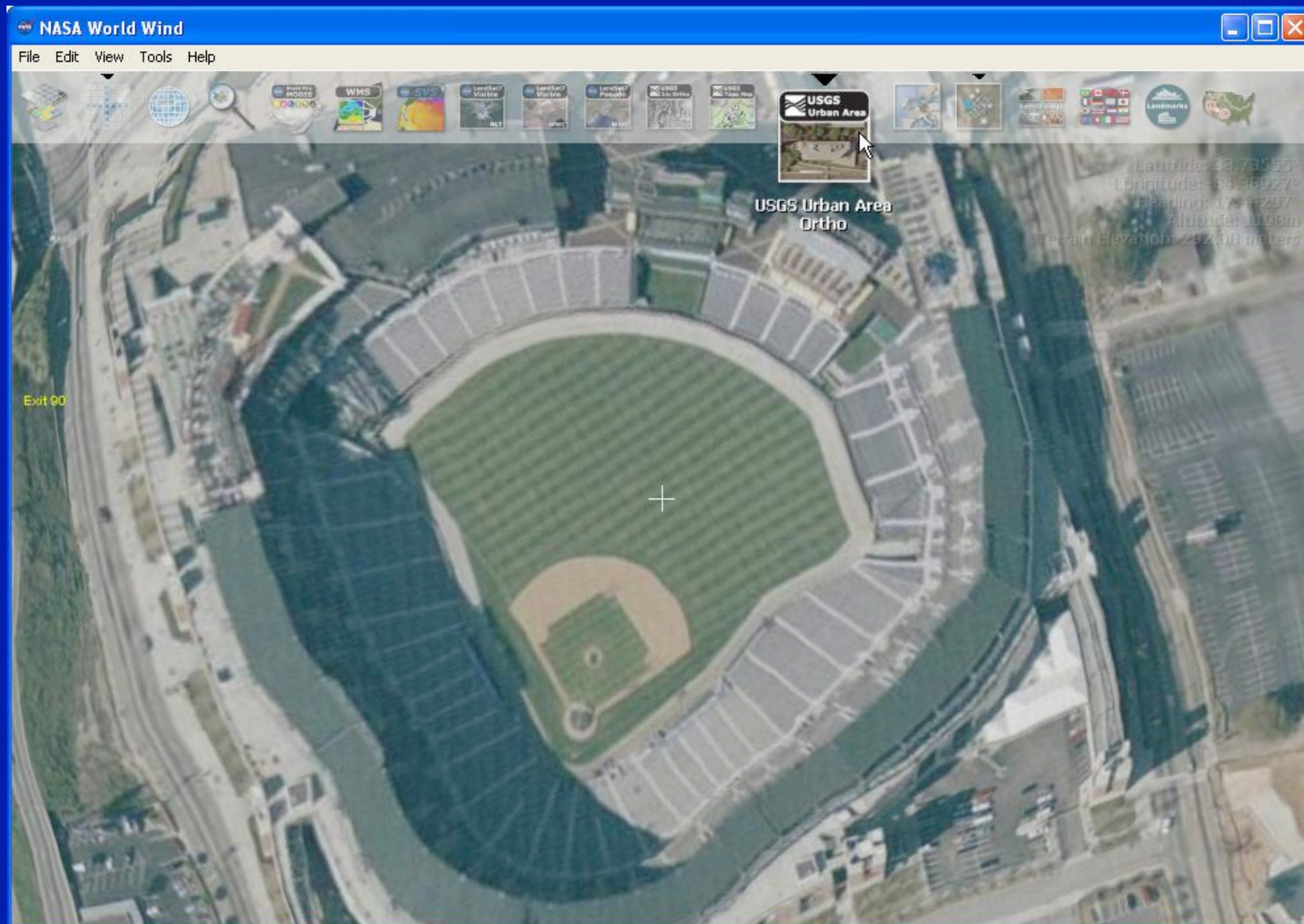


NASA World Wind – Landsat Imagery of Panama





NASA World Wind – Urban Ortho Photo Turner Field





NASA World Wind – Animation Over 3-D Earth

NASA World Wind

File Edit View Tools Help

Scientific Visualization Studio (5.0 FPS)

- Ozone Measurements from 2000 through 2003 (288x180 Animation)
- Polar Vortex (1024x512 Animation)
- Progression of Hurricane Charley, 2004
- Progression of Hurricane Fabian, 2003
- Progression of Hurricane Frances, 2004
- Progression of Hurricane Ivan, 2004
- Progression of Hurricane Jeanne, 2004
- Rainfall Accumulation from Hurricane Isabel (320x160 Animation)
- Satellite Imagery of Hurricane Dennis (512x512 Animation)
- Scene Identification Compared to Clouds (1024x512 Animation)

Satellite Imagery of Hurricane Dennis (512x512 Animation)
Frames: 566
Hurricane Dennis started as a tropical depression on August 23, 1999, became a tropical storm on August 24, and was classified as a hurricane early on August 26, near the Bahamas. From August 26 through August 31, Dennis proceeded up the coast of the United States until it stalled off the coast of North Carolina for four days because the pressure trough that was pushing it out to sea left it behind. This animation shows images of Dennis during its hurricane period from August 26 through August 31, 1999, when the stall began. The images were taken by the GOES-8 satellite, a weather satellite in geostationary orbit above the western hemisphere. The continuous white cloud progression came from infrared images from GOES, and the yellowish clouds that come and go with the daylight came from data taken in the visible spectrum, also from GOES. The GOES images were not taken at regular times, so the hurricane appears to slow down when the time between images gets small and speed up when the time between images gets large.

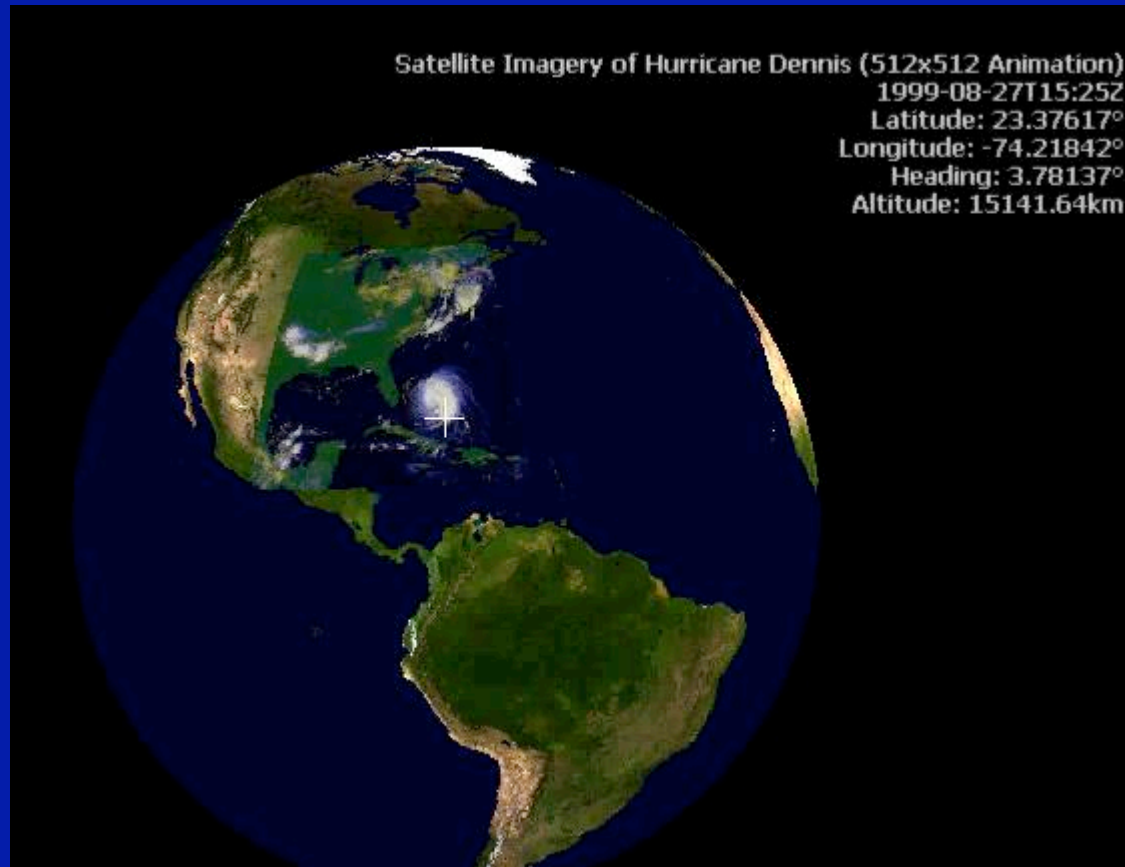
Download: 1999-08-31T14:45Z (145/566)

Satellite Imagery of Hurricane Dennis (512x512 Animation)
1999-08-27T19:55Z
Latitude: 24.17295°
Longitude: -82.08988°
Heading: 3.78141°
Altitude: 3638.33km



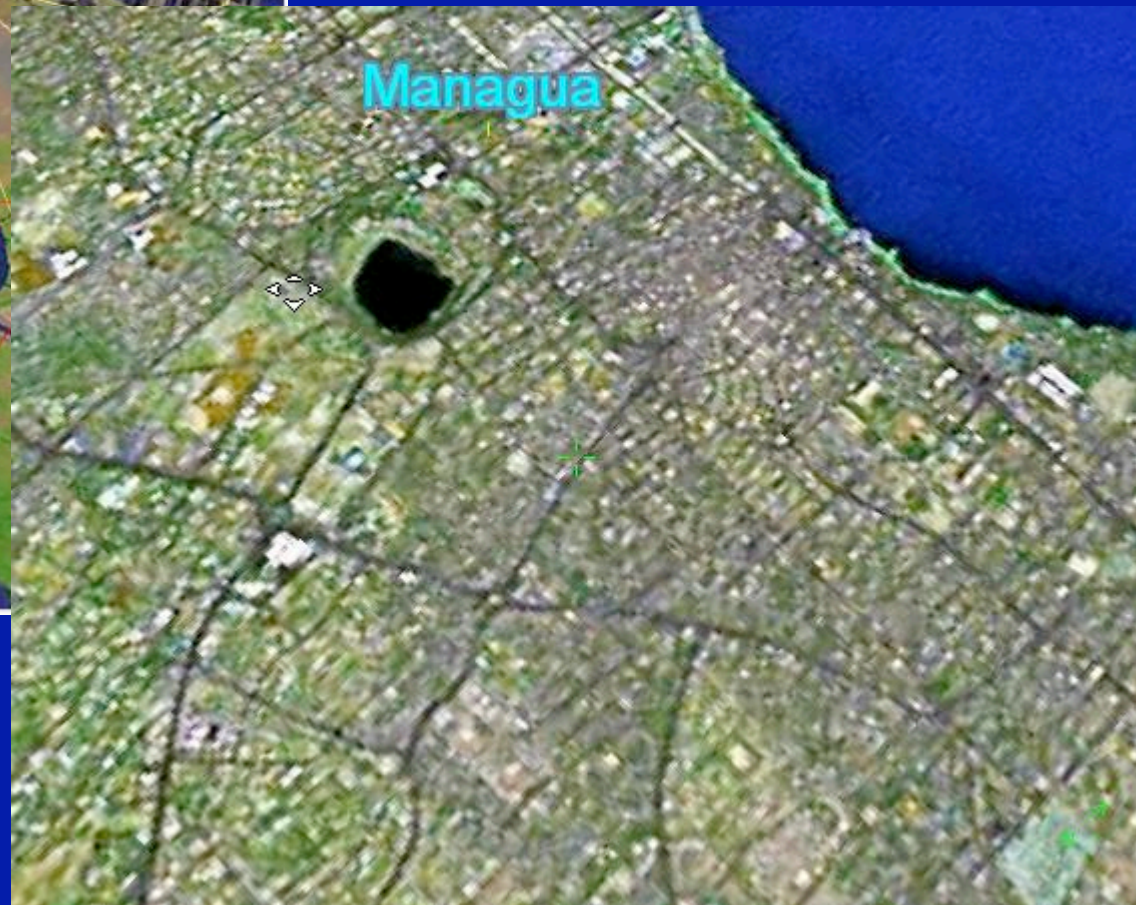


NASA World Wind – Animation File



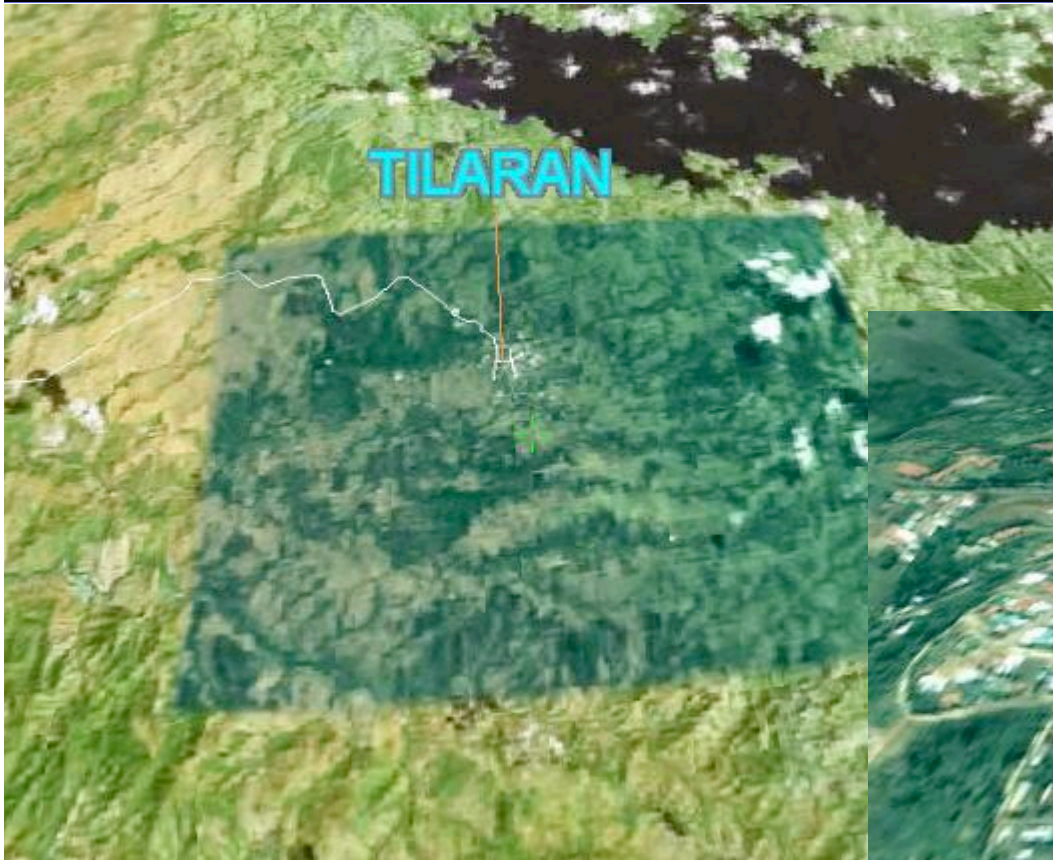


Landsat 15 Meter Resolution Mosaic - Examples



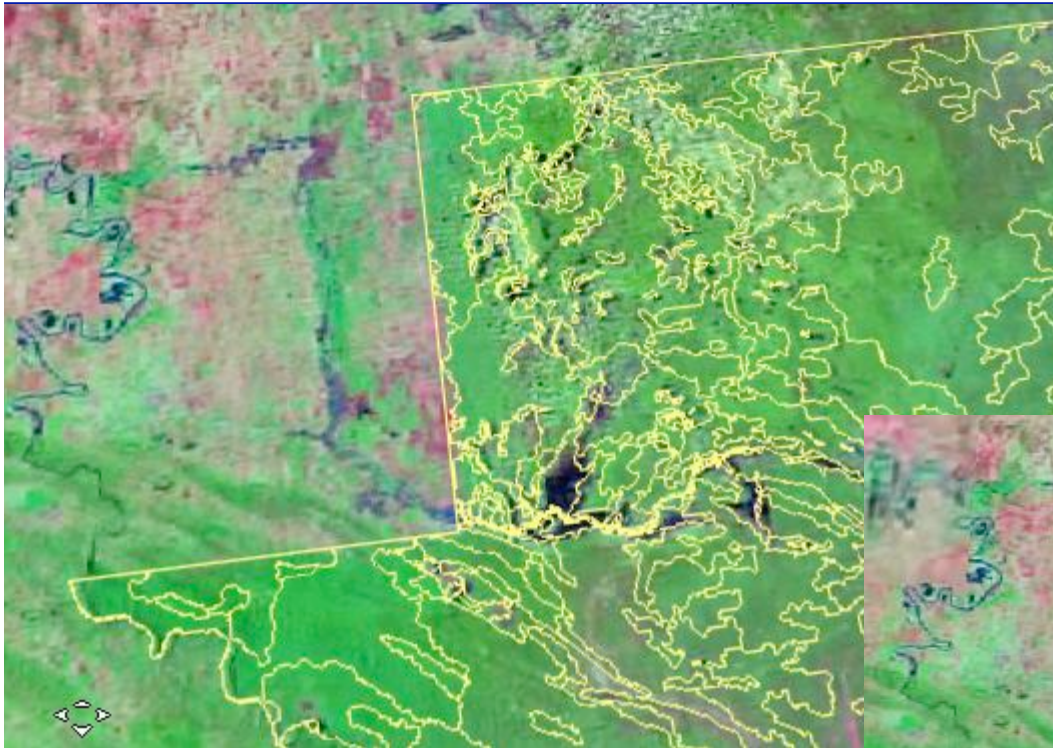


IKONOS Data Over Landsat 15 Meter Imagery



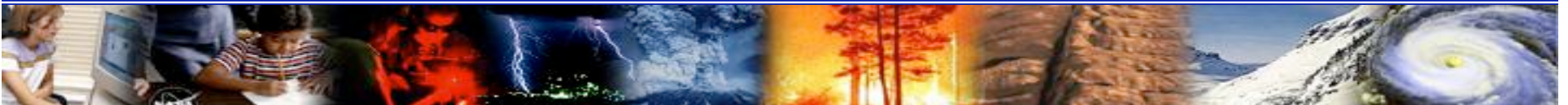
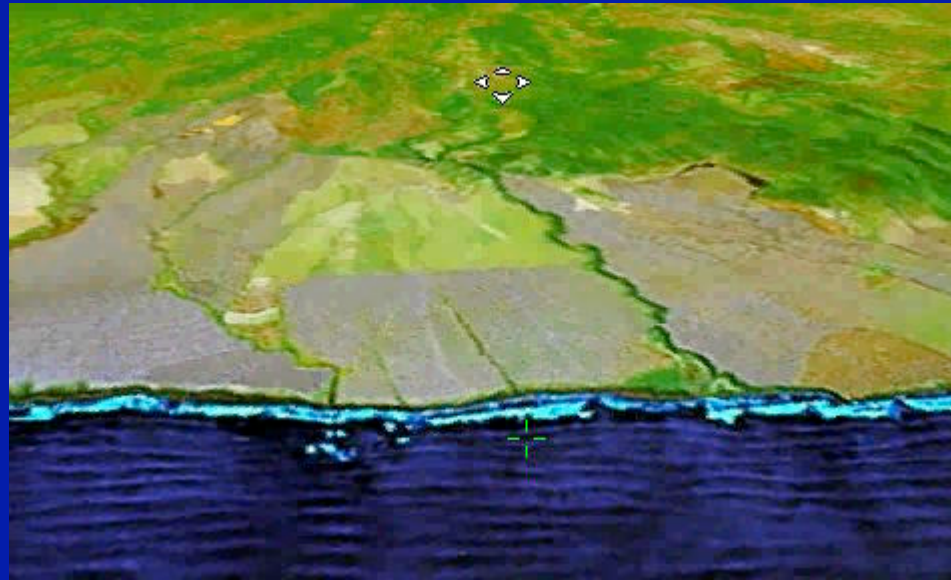


Vector Data Over Landsat and SRTM Elevation



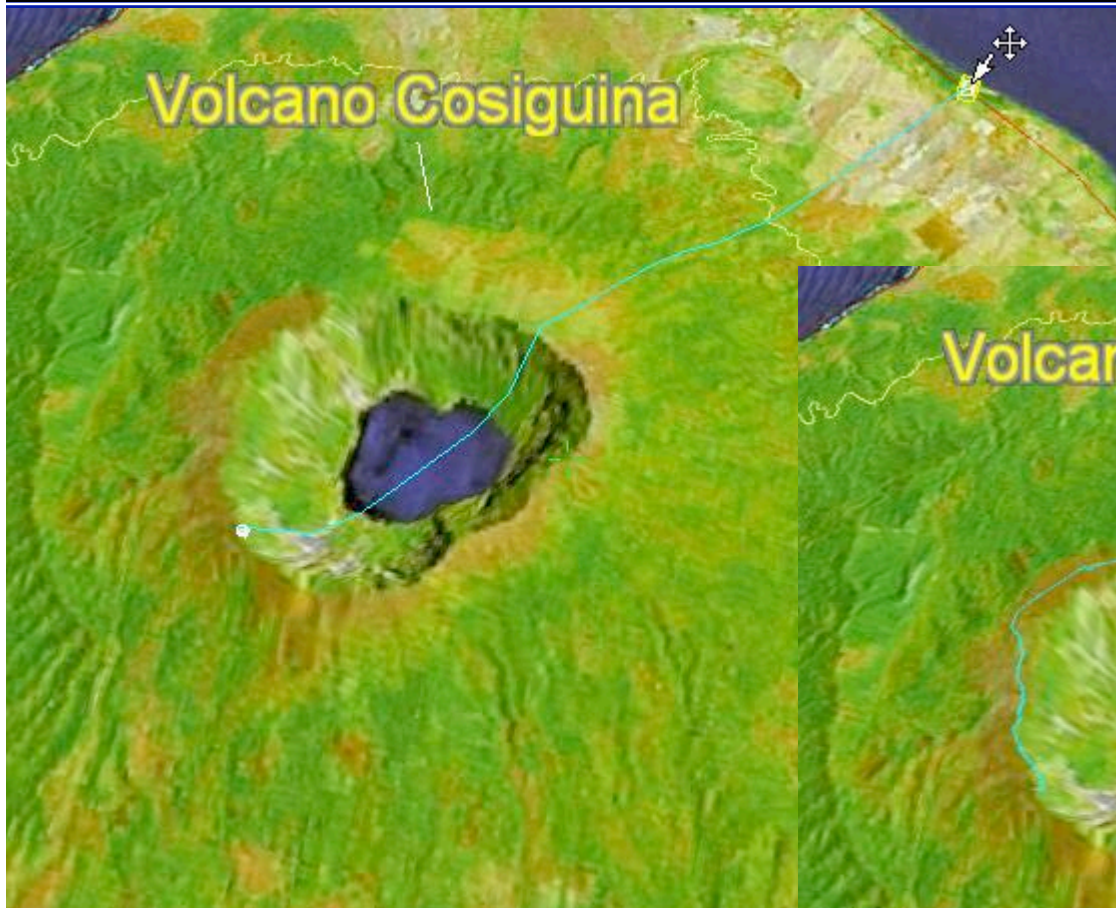


3-D Flyover of Volcano Cosiguina - Guatemala



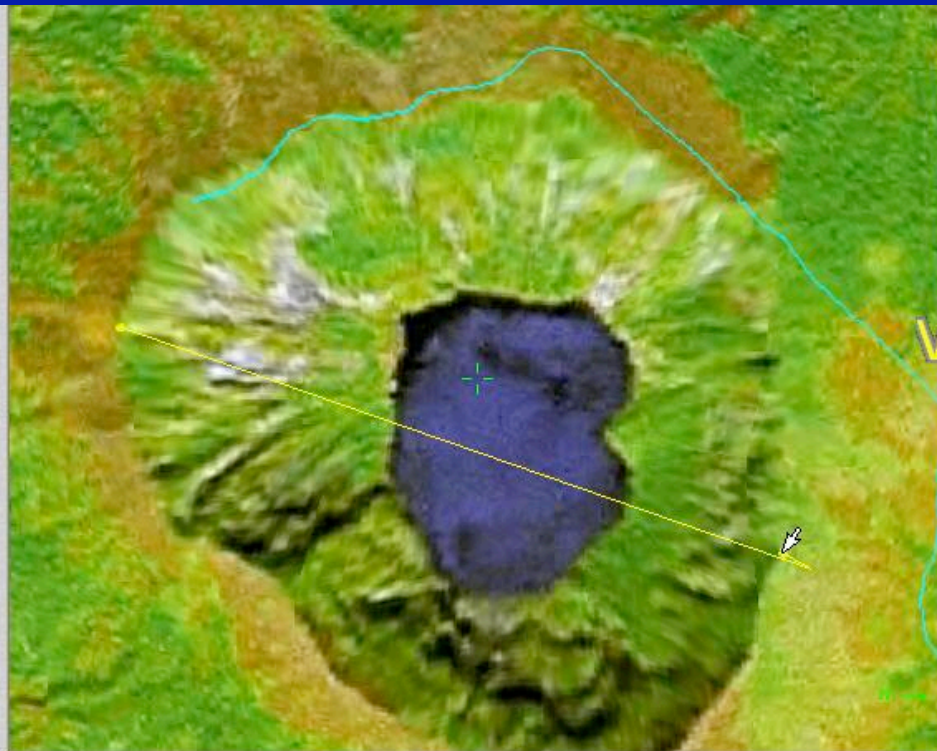


TEP Tools: Calculation of Best Path





TEP Tools: Distance Measurement

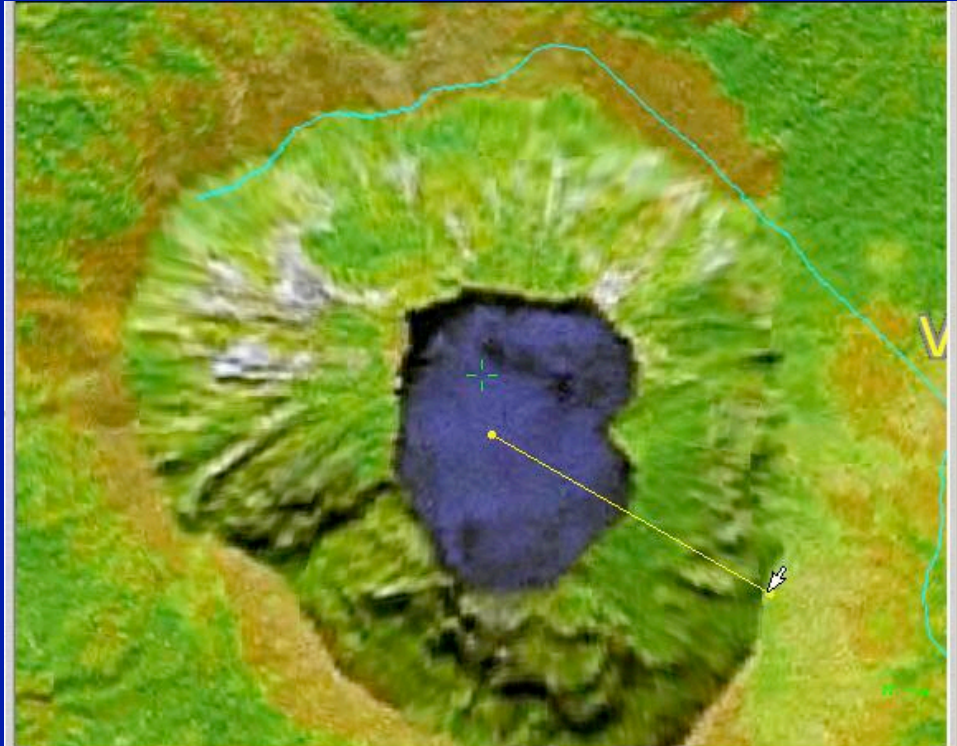


Horizontal Distance: 2698.06 Meters
Elevation Difference: -312.19 Meters
Slope: -6.60°



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FLIGHT PANEL



Aerial Distance: 1555.83 Meters
Elevation Difference: 925.66 Meters
Slope: 36.51°



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FLIGHT PANEL





TEP Tools: Area and Contours

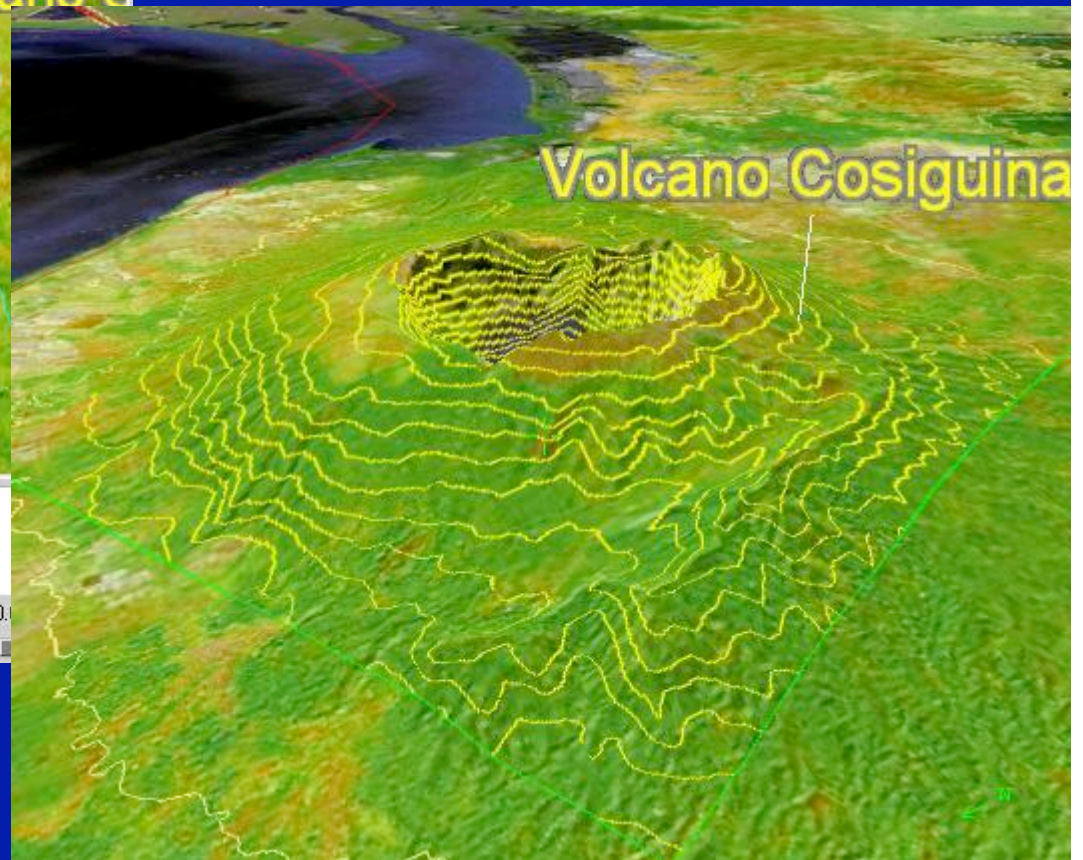


Area: 5.0649 sq KM
Perimeter: 8335.46 Meters



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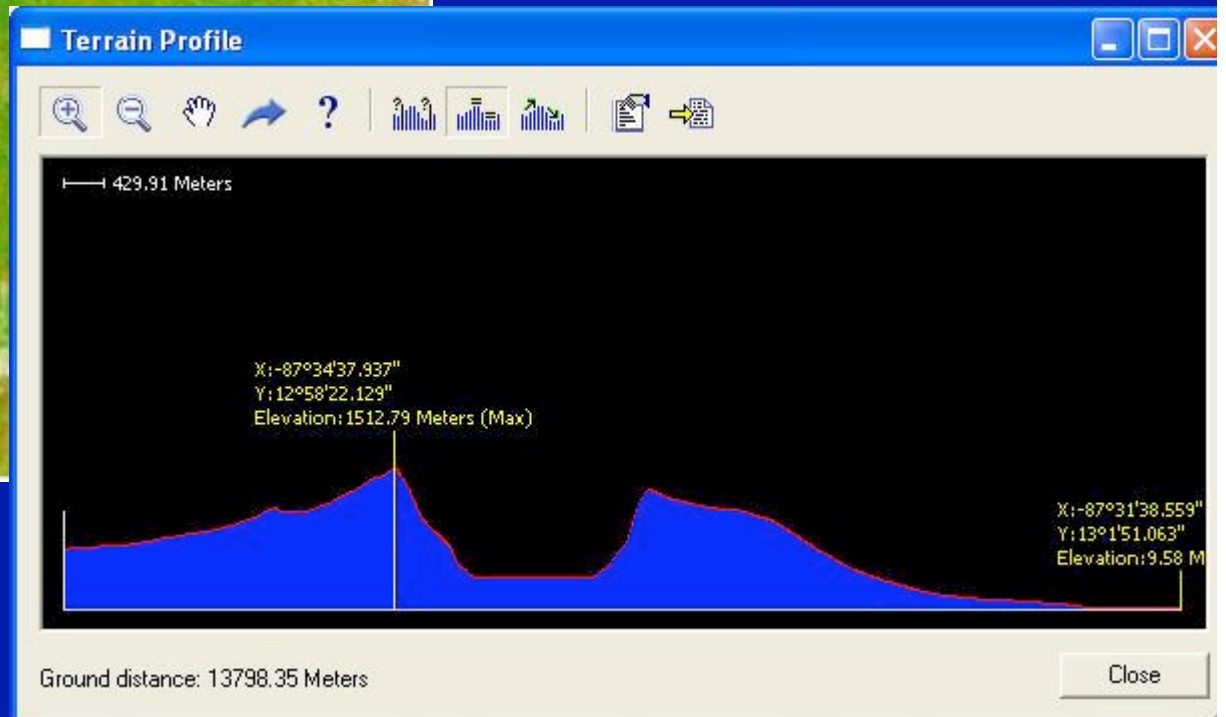
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TEP Tools: Terrain Profile





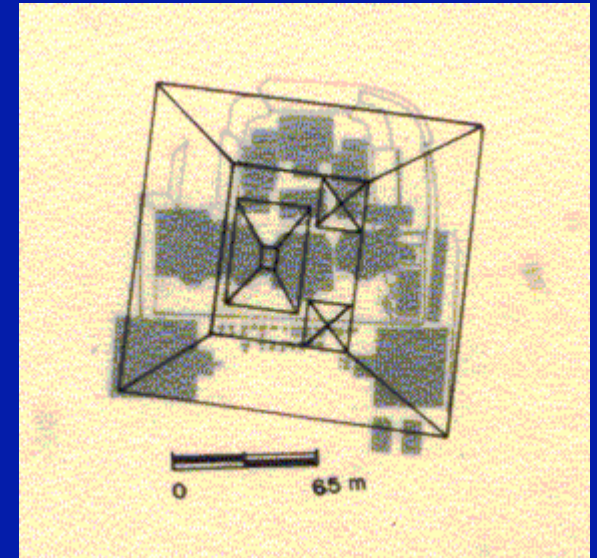
Accomplishments to Date

- **Development of NSSTC SERVIR Node**
- **Interactive Web Site Online – One Stop Shop for Data, Interactive Maps, Decision Support, and Visualization (Fully Operational – February 2005)**
- **Fires Products Operational**
- **Red Tides Products Operational**
- **First Regional Climate Modeling Workshop Ever Held in Mesoamerica**
- **Response Mode Flood Analysis in Panama**
- **Visualization Products for Central America**
- **Visualization Workshops at NASA/MSFC**
- **Data Distribution System for Panama Built and Operating**
- **CATHALAC - Staff Hired**
- **Integration of Inter-American Biodiversity Network (IABIN)**
- **Regional Node Facility and Training Center Operating**
- **Integrating other Research at NSSTC**





Archeology from Space



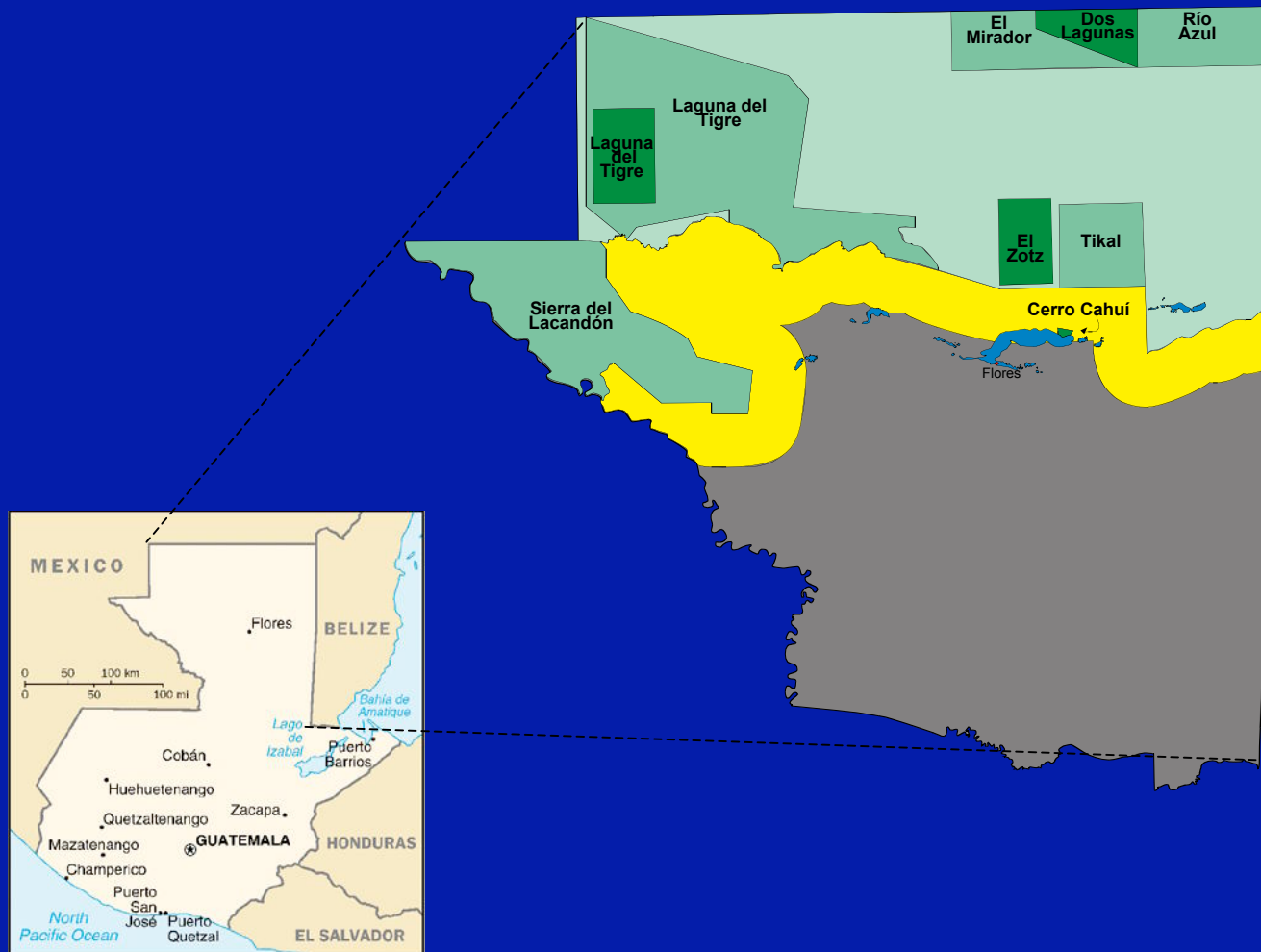


Dr. Tom Sever – NASA's Archeologist



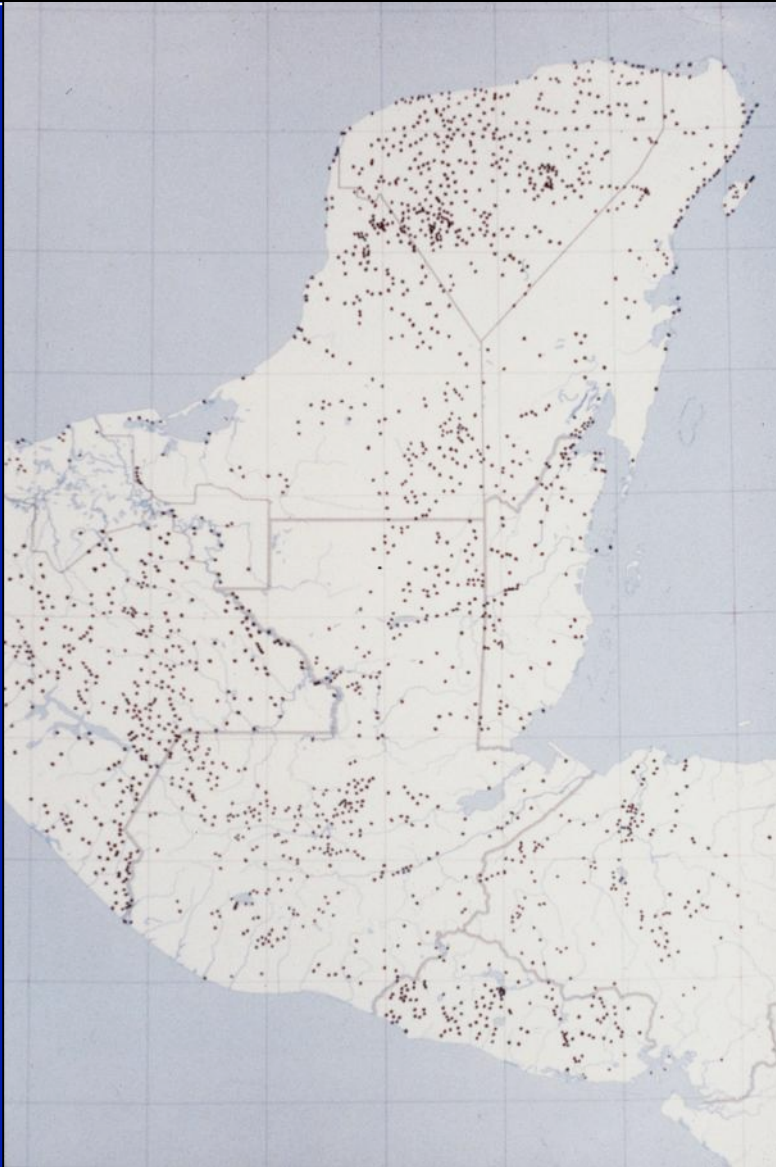


The Maya Biosphere Reserve



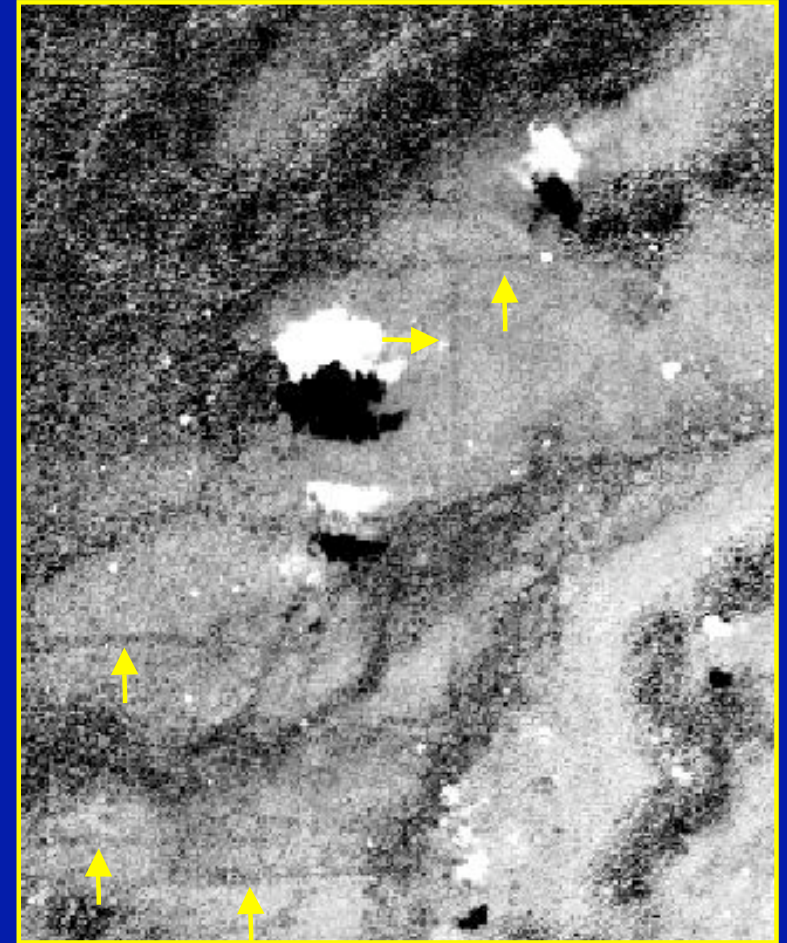
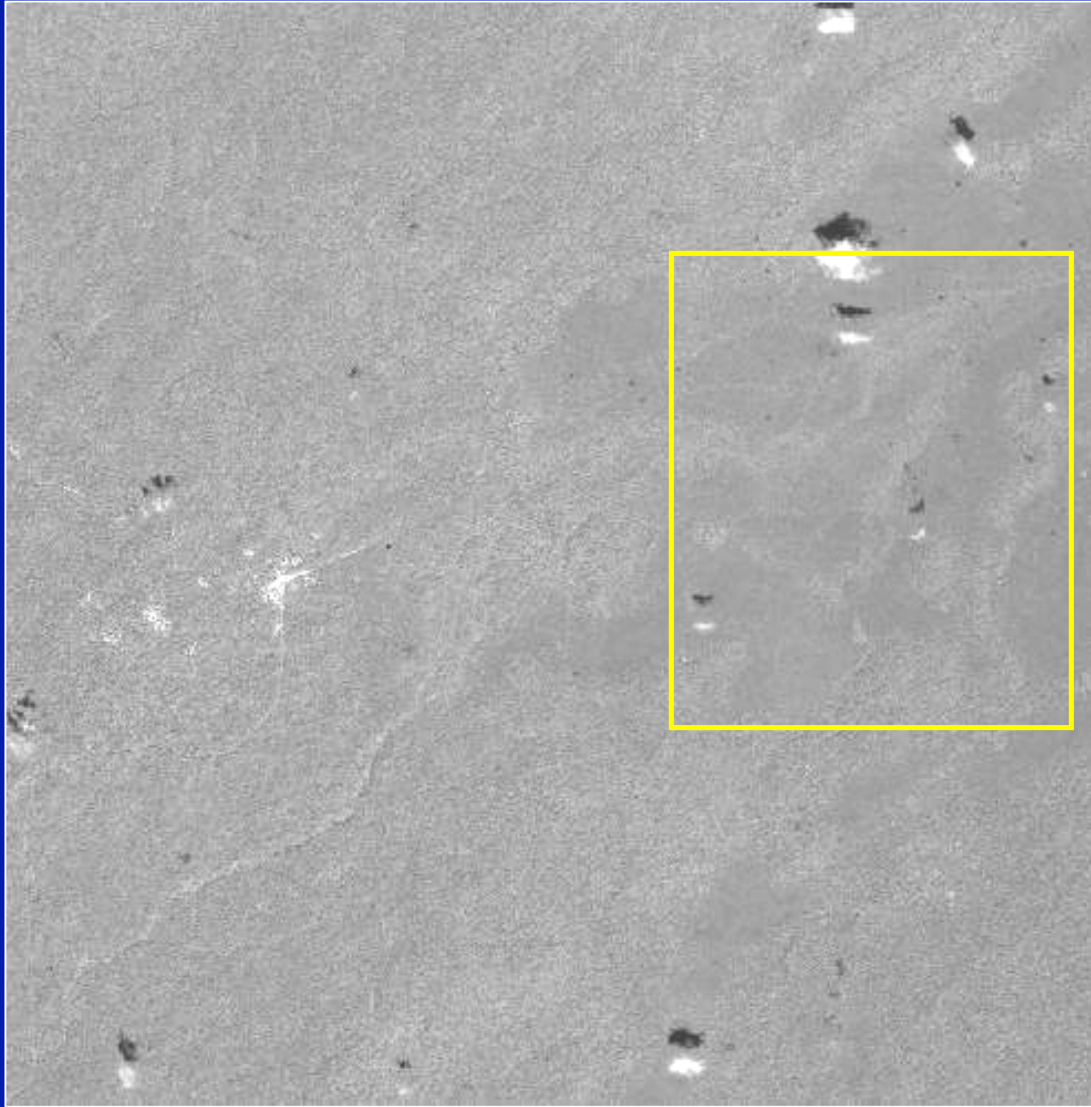


Ancient Maya Cities



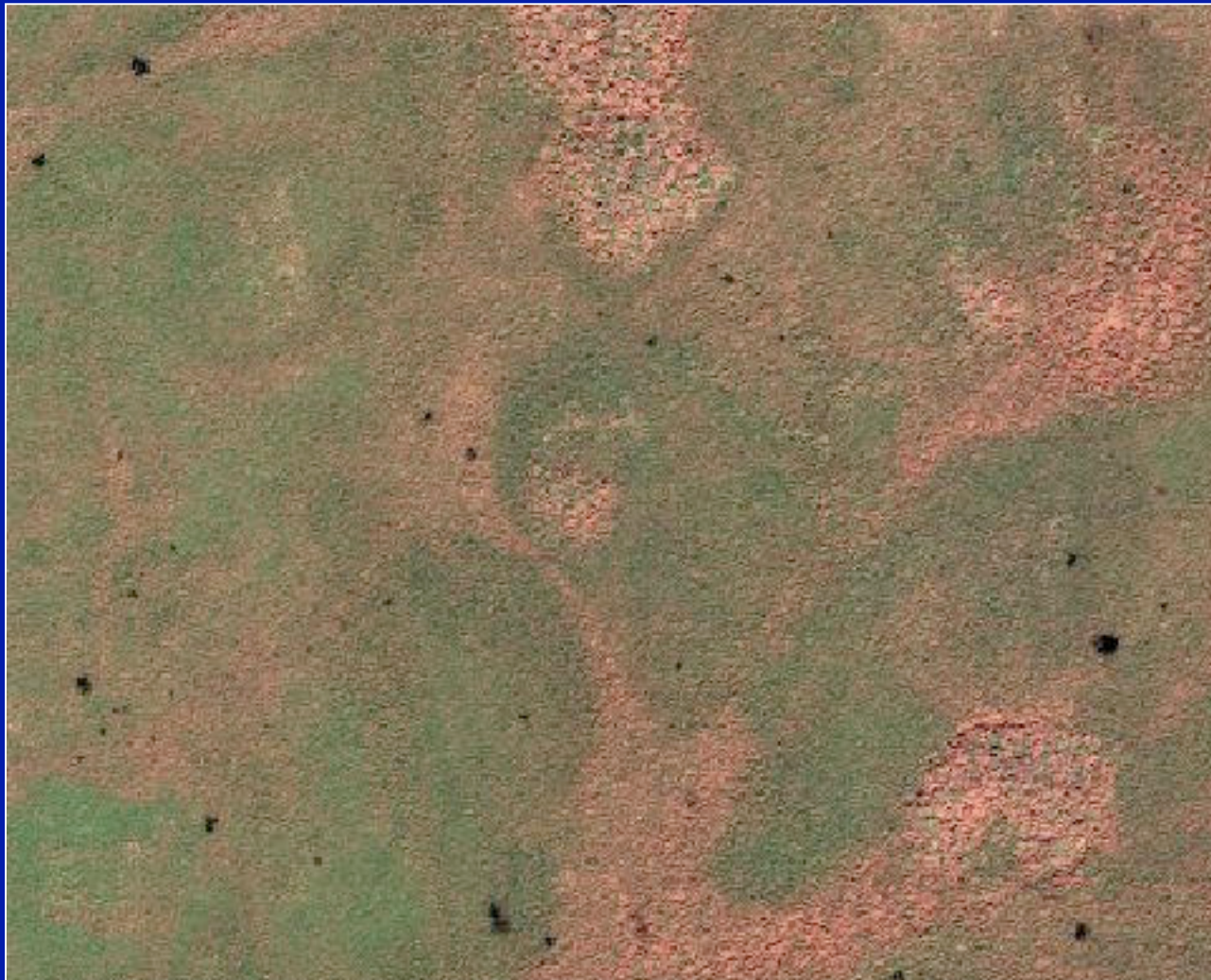


Ikonos Data – Linear Features



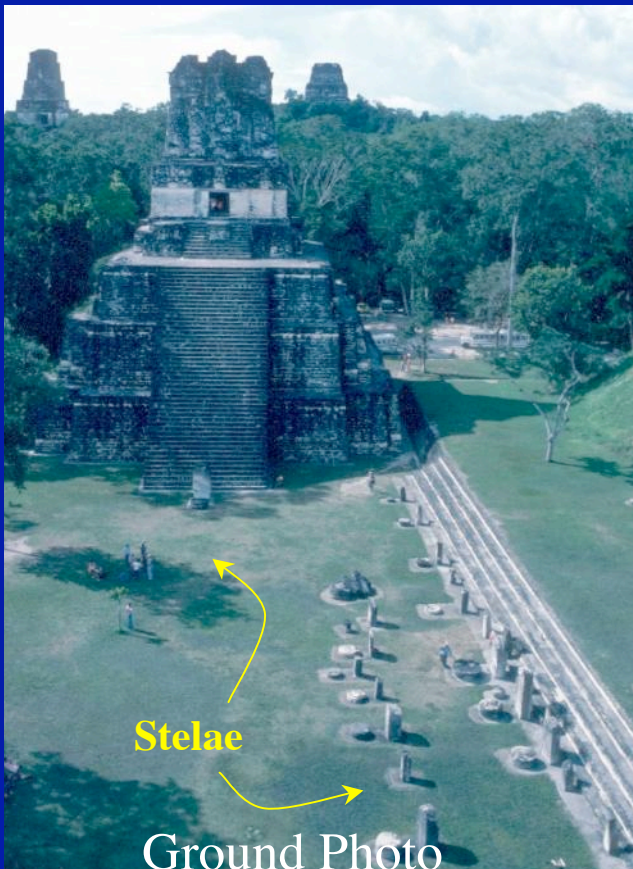


Ikonos Data - Aguadas





Capability of IKONOS Satellite Imagery to Detect Small Features Such as Maya Stelae at Tikal National Park, Guatemala



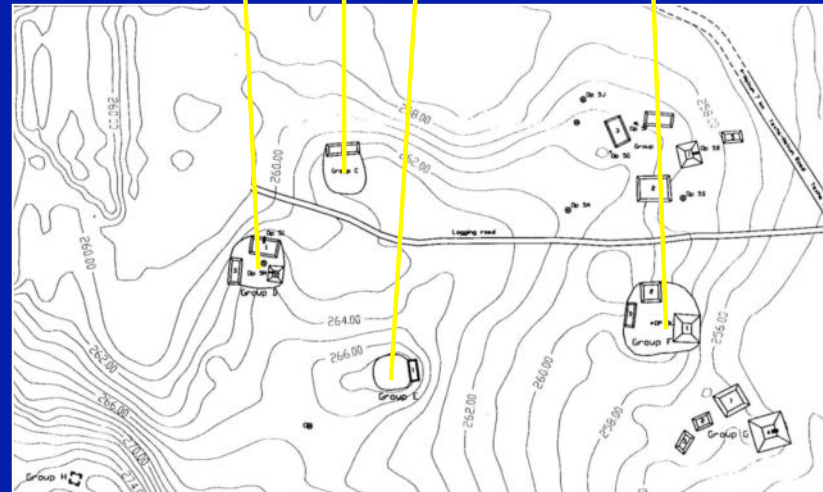
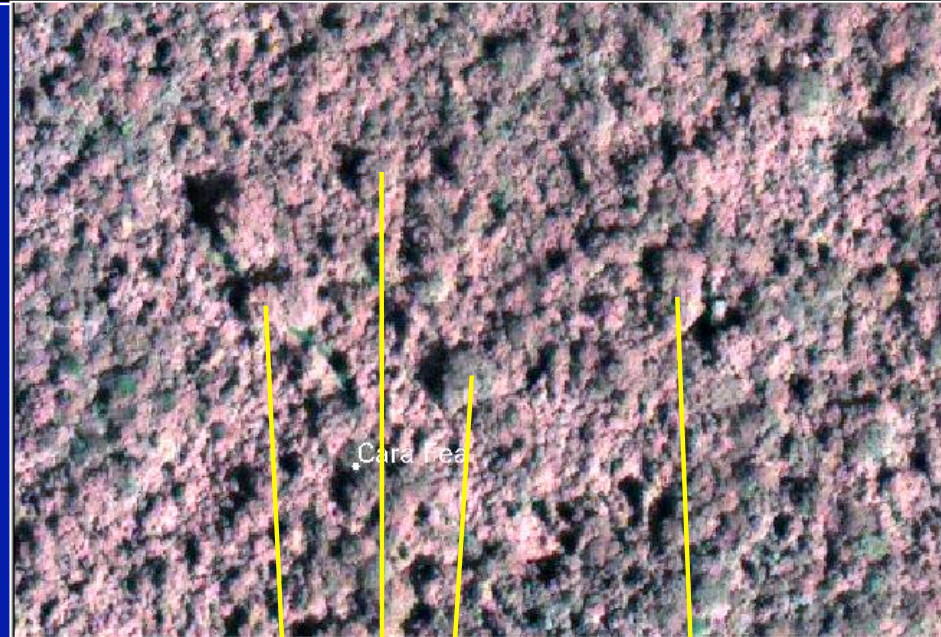
Full IKONOS Scene
11km x 11 km





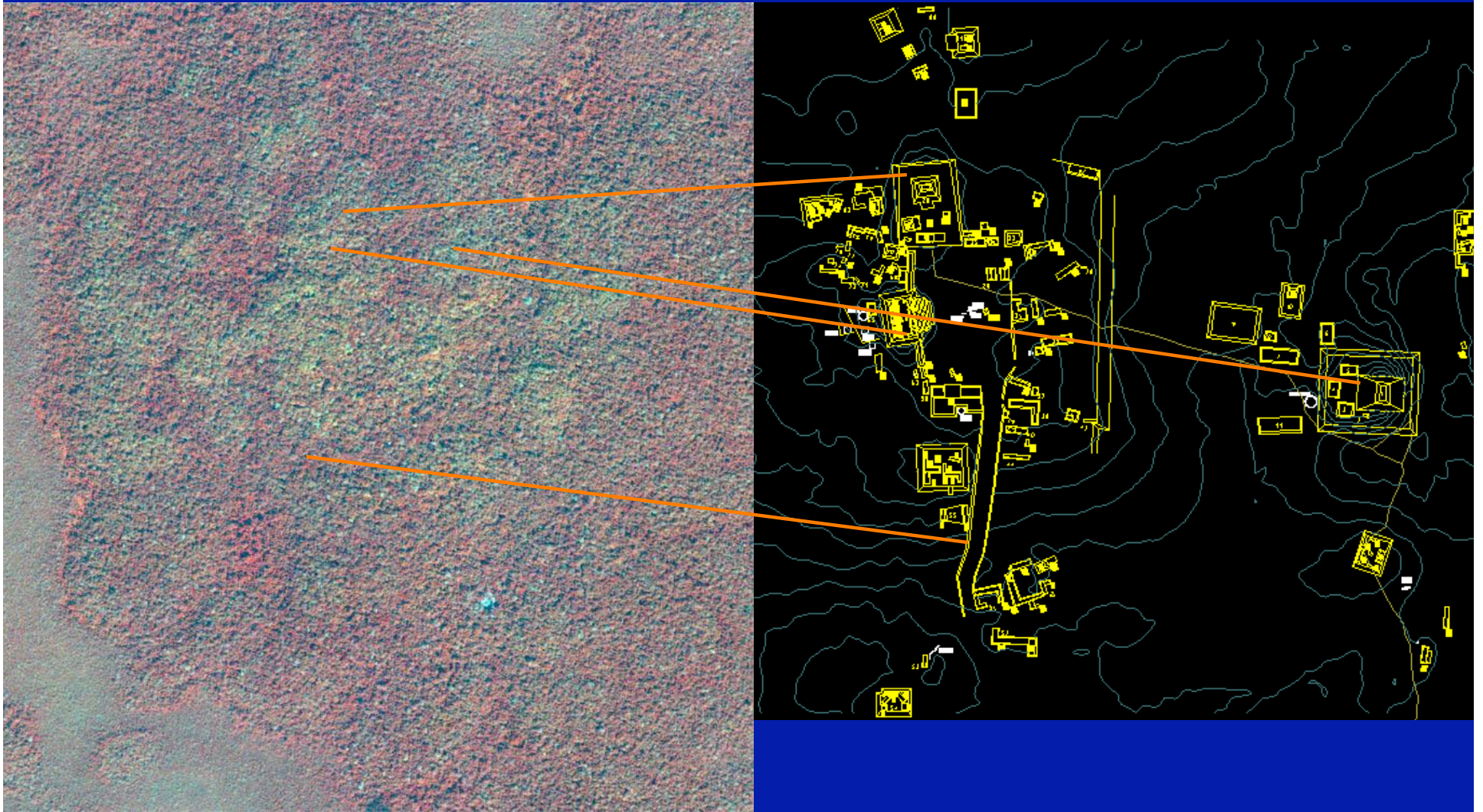


Mayan Architectures Detected via Remote Sensing





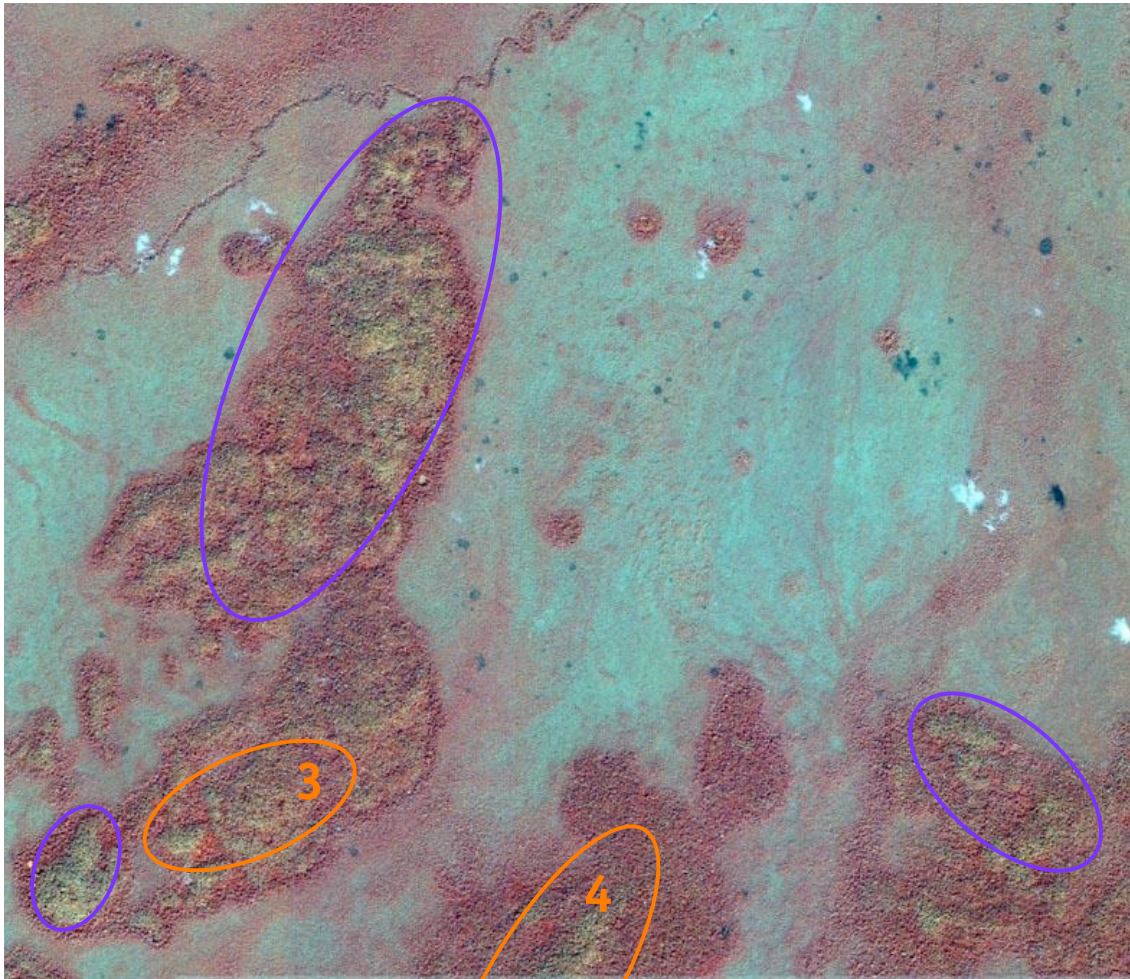
Mayan Ruins at San Bartolo



Isla Oásis and the Area Northwest of San Bartolo

1. San Bartolo
2. Chaj K'ek' Cue
3. La Prueba
4. Las Minas

• Sites Identified on the
Satellite Imagery, but
Not Yet Verified on the Ground



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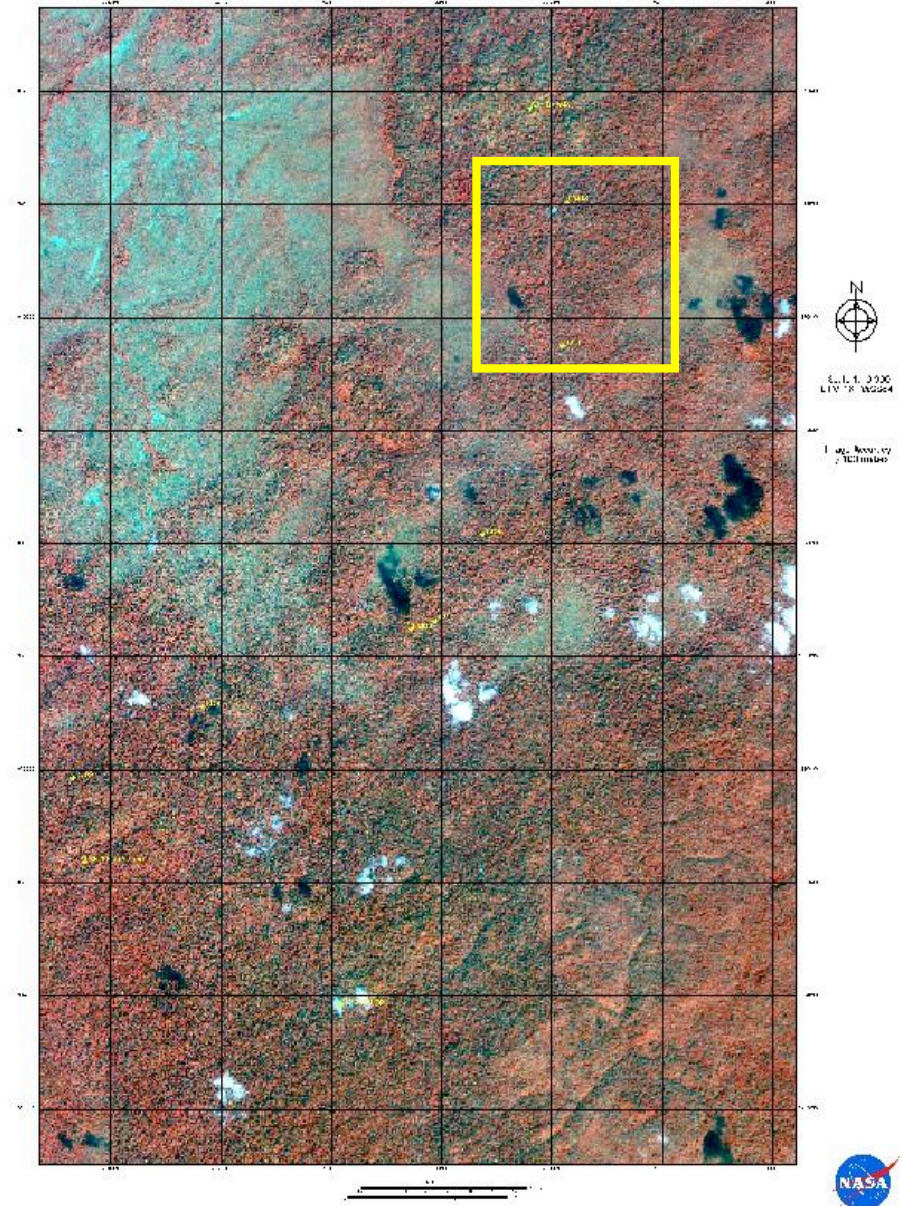
"This mural exponentially expands our knowledge of what the Maya thought important 2,000 years ago."

Sistine Chapel of the Early Maya

FIELD DISPATCH GUATEMALA

Dr. Bill Saturno

Xultún - San Bartolo Transect False Color Composition - RGB/4,3,1









Artist's Sketch of Mural and Temple 200 BCE

